

By
JUNE JONES

MRS. M. C. WILSON, former long-time resident of Hamlin, in renewing her subscription to Your Home Town Paper for another year, wrote these lines to us first of the week:

"We had a nice rain here last night (Saturday) and a lovely day today. Oh, how I dread these sand-storms out here, but we have had some pretty bad ones in Hamlin the past years.

"It's wonderful about the new paved street program there. Mr. Wilson and I wished for them for years for Hamlin. Best regards to everyone."

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ONE HAMLIN MAN is just now getting around to putting on some of his Christmas gift remembrances. But, apparently he was not too well pleased, because his remarks went like:

For Christmas she sent me
Green socks and red ties;
Her heart's in the right place,
But where are her eyes?

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A PRIM LITTLE LADY of Anson was telling a friend about her awful consternation upon finding two empty whiskey bottles in her garbage can.

"You can imagine my embarrassment," she said. "I got them out fast, because I didn't want the garbage man to think I drink."

"What did you do with them," asked her Hamlin friend.

"Well, the Methodist preacher lives next door," was the reply. "So I put them in his can. Everybody knows he doesn't drink."

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FOXTAIL JOHNSON writes an interesting philosophical column in the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser, magazine published at San Angelo. Among the squibs in the current issue are these:

Sure, every young man and woman ought to go to college. It's their last chance for a high school education.

A neighbor is a feller that lives down the road and shells out to the same tax collectors.

Nixon hopes to be nominated for president in 1956 if Ike don't run. And I hope to get a street lightin' franchise for Hardscrabble whenever the sun stops risin' in the mornin'.

A picture was showed in Beaver Slide last week that was advertised as unfit for children. But I didn't go. I'm waiting for a picture that's unfit for grown-ups. Seems like a feller's never too old to learn about some fancy kind of devilment he missed when he was young.

I been invited to join a bird watchin' society, and I'm gonna accept soon as some of my neighbors moves away and I don't have to watch my chickens so close.

Ty wife says I'm so lazy and wasteful that if somebody left me a lotta money I'd throw it to the birds. But I wouldn't. I'd hire a boy to throw it.

Spring plantin' season's right on us, and fishin' season starts next June. Everybody out this way is gonna start gettin' his plantin' machinery in shape soon as he overhauls his fishin' tackle.

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THOSE GUYS working for utilities company evidently get to thinking in terms of their commodities, as this conversation between Steve Stephens and Ned Moore will prove:

"Howdy, BULB. WIRE you here at the time of day?"

"WATT is it to you?"

"Well, the CURRENT rumor is that if you don't SWITCH your habits and stop coming INSULATED the boss is really going to SOCKET to you and either DIRECT you to the nearest OUTLET or CONDENSE your paycheck."

"Well now, podner, that sure is ELECTRIFYING news and comes as quite a SHOCK but the truth is, my wife called and asked me to METER, and if FUSE don't mind I'll PLUG along."

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AFTER ALL, a lady has a right to expect some things as a matter of course.

One Hamlin woman let this be known just before Christmas with these remarks:

"Are you planning to hang any mistletoe in your house during the holidays, Sarah?" asked a friend. Sarah sniffed in disgust. "I should say not! I got too much pride to advertise for ordinary courtesies a lady's got the right to expect."



SOMETHING IS BOUND TO BE DONE on the Hamlin City Park project as a result of a gathering a few days ago of the group pictured above, who met to discuss and plan beautification and equipment additions to the city's playground in Southwest Hamlin. Shown in the picture are representatives of women's club and civic organizations: Mrs. LaFoy Paterson, representing the Friendship Home Demonstration Club; Mmes. Jo Riddle, E. M. Wilson, Winnie Day and Florence Cowan, Business and Professional Women's Club; Mrs. Lennie Cochran, Firemen's Auxiliary; Mmes. E. J. Hawkins and Noel Weaver, Fifty-Two Study Club; Mmes. George Poe and Jerry Waggoner, Beta Sigma Phi; Mmes. Stanley Carmichael and J. D. Ferguson, Woman's Literary Club; Mmes. C. C. Prater and F. B. Moore Jr., Hamlin Garden Club; Reba Roland and Rodney Spaulding, high school students, and H. L. Williams, sponsor, Student Council; Lee Hastings, Volunteer Fire Department; Connie O'Neal, Hamlin Baseball Club; D. D. Shelburne and Onis Crawford, Chamber of Commerce; W. T. Johnson, Lions Club; Weldon Johnson, Rotary Club; I. R. Huchingson, Hamlin Schools; E. M. Borden; Roy Dunlap, city engineer; and Willard Jones, mayor. The meeting was held in the city hall on call of Mayor Jones.

Winter Concert Set Thursday By 50-Piece Pied Piper Band

Marches, Popular Numbers, Vocals To Be Featured

Hamlin High School's 50-piece Pied Piper Band will be presented in its first winter concert at the high school auditorium next Thursday evening, February 17, at 8:00 o'clock. The musical organization is under the direction of Jess Parrish.

The green-and-white uniformed band, which has been outstanding for its performances for several years, will present an assortment of numbers, designed to please young and old alike, band officials declare. Featured soloists will be Bobby Norton, trombonist, and Gene Steele, trumpeter.

Also vocal numbers will be offered by the Starlight Sisters and Little Twinkle.

As this will not be the final classical concert for the band, the assortment of music will be wide for entertainment alone. Stirring marches, novelty numbers, solos and popular selections will be featured on the program.

A small admission fee will be charged for the concert, and proceeds will be used to purchase additional equipment needed by the band, the director declares.

Trees for Windbreak Plantings Available To Area Farmers

Hamlin area people are advised that trees for planting windbreaks are available again this year to Texas farm and ranch families. They are available through the Texas Forest Service. Orders must be in by March 1.

Species available include Austrian pine, Chinese elm, Osage orange, red cedar, shortleaf pine, sycamore and Russian olive. The Chinese elm is not recommended for this area because it is subject to cotton root rot.

Anyone interested should contact Bill Lehmborg, county agent, and secure a blank form on which to place his order.

Cost of the seedling trees is \$1.50 per 100 trees.

Duane Brown Officer In U. of T. Fraternity

William Duane Brown, University of Texas student from Hamlin, is the new treasurer of Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemistry fraternity, according to a release from Austin to The Herald.

Brown, a graduate student, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Brown.



NEW VET'S LAND HEAD—Clark Diebel of the state auditor's office staff (above) has been named executive secretary of the Texas Veterans Land Board to succeed Lawrence C. Jackson, resigned.

New Car Licenses Go On Sale in City Today

Car and truck license plates for 1955 will be placed on sale in Hamlin today (Friday), it was announced Wednesday by Jim H. King, deputy tax collector, whose offices are at King Insurance Agency.

Passenger car plates will be numbered from CH-2500 through CH-4200, King says. The plates must be issued in the order they come, and no special numbers will be reserved this year. Price of the tags is the same as last year.

Motorists are urged to present last year's license receipt and a copy of the title.

Examinations This Week Show Better Health in Schools

Considerable improvement in the general condition of the teeth and gums of children of the Hamlin School was noted this week in the examinations made by Drs. J. W. McCrary and W. S. Seals, dentists, they reported.

The examinations, conducted as part of the observance of National Children's Dental Health Week under sponsorship of the American Dental Association, were locally under auspices of the Fifty-Two Study Club and Hamlin Literary Club. Members of the clubs were assisting the dentists and teachers in the campaign.

Some 435 children in the primary, elementary and junior high schools were examined Monday and Tuesday, and examinations of the high school student were scheduled Thursday and Friday of this week.

Drs. McCrary and Seals reported that a decided improvement in the dental and physical condition of most students was apparent since the last examinations two years ago. Much of the improvement probably was due to the work of the school nurse among the students, school authorities believed.

Correct your own mistakes by avoiding those of others.

Control Measures For Grain Pests Proposed by Agent

Hamlin area producers are concerned at reported appearance of small grain insects in some sections of the country, and the following release from County Agent Bill Lehmborg is timely:

When does it pay to spray for small grain insects? That's a common question among farmers now since many small grain pests—green bugs, winter grain mites and brown wheat mites—are on the move.

An insect count will give the insect population. A minimum of five counts, consisting of one running foot each should be made at random diagonally across the field.

Control measures against greenbugs in fall-seeded grain are warranted when 100 or more are counted per linear foot, advises Lehmborg.

In spring-seeded grain an average population of 25 to 50 greenbugs may warrant chemical control.

Use one-fourth to one-half pound of actual parathion in emulsion form to the acre. If the emulsion concentrate contains two pounds actual parathion per gallon, apply at a rate of one to two pints per acre in at least two gallons of water. Application should be made when the temperature is above 50 degrees.

Note of Caution: Parathion is poisonous and should be handled with care. Livestock should not be permitted to graze grain for 21 days after being treated with parathion.

Hereford Man to Lead In Methodist Revival

Definite date for the spring revival meeting at the First Methodist Church has not been set, declares the pastor, Rev. Darris L. Egger, but it probably will be about the middle of March.

Evangelist for the campaign will be Rev. S. M. Dunnam of Hereford, an outstanding speaker from the Panhandle section of Texas, the pastor says.

Two-County Singing Set Sunday in Hamlin

Singers and song lovers of the Hamlin area are notified that the Jones and Fisher County singing convention meets at Snyder Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

Foursquare Gospel Church, at the corner of Southwest First Street and Southwest Avenue D will be the scene of the gathering. The public is invited.



HOUSE VET LAND PROBERS—Representative Joe Burkett Jr. (right) was named chairman of the House committee investigating veterans' land program. Representative W. F. Spilman (left) of McAllen, was made vice chairman at the organization meeting. Burkett is from Kerrville.

Officers Elected For Recreation Committee of Area

Definite steps toward securing a swimming pool and recreation center for Hamlin were being made this week with the organization of a working unit dedicated to that end.

Officers for a community recreation committee were named at a second get-together of interested people Wednesday morning at the Chamber of Commerce office. Named were: Delma Shelburne, president; Roy Dunlap, vice president; Mrs. R. D. Moore, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. George Poe, publicity director.

First meeting of the swimming pool minded group was held last Thursday morning at the CO offices, when some proposals for the pool and a recreation center were discussed by representatives of women's clubs and civic organizations. Shelburne at that time presided and heard various plans for the projects. Attendees were asked to meet with their respective groups and get the organizations' reactions.

Wednesday morning's meeting reflected keen interest and enthusiasm for the swimming pool.

Definite plans for the project, methods of financing it and other pertinent facts will be presented at a third meeting of officials of the group next Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Games to Highlight Nienda Meet Tonight

Games will be featured at the regular Friday night community gathering this (Friday) evening at the Nienda community center, leaders announce. Festivities will get underway at 7:30 o'clock.

Attendees will bring potato chips and fritos, leaders say, and drinks will be available at the snack bar.

MRS. POE BREAKS HIP. Mrs. W. J. Poe, pioneer Hamlin resident, who lives at the corner of West Lake Drive and Avenue D, Tuesday afternoon sustained a broken hip when she fell on the sidewalk near the R. C. McCurdy home on Southwest Avenue B. After first aid treatment at the Hamlin Memorial Hospital she was moved Wednesday to Hendrick Memorial Hospital at Abilene, where she was due to undergo surgery Thursday.

County Emergency Feed Plan to Close

Emergency feed program, under which a number of Hamlin area farmers and ranchers have been receiving assistance, will be terminated next Tuesday, according to a release to The Herald.

The national office of the Farm-Home Administration has informed the Jones County FFA office that, effective February 15 at midnight no further applications for assistance under the emergency feed program will be approved by county committees.

Elmer L. Foster, local county supervisor, stated that he local county committee would meet on Tuesday, February 15, at 2:00 p. m. for the purpose of considering applications before the final

deadline. He also stated that federal funds may be used for making payments under hay contract only for deliveries of hay through March 31.

Approved applicants will continue to have 120 days to use purchase orders issued for grain.

To further clarify the above ruling, applications for grain may be taken through February 15, that will supply the applicant with grain for a period of 60 days from the date of application.

Applicants who have qualified previously for feed assistance for a period extending beyond February 15 may reapply on or before that date. In such instances, applicants may qualify for hay for an additional period but not to extend beyond 60 days from the date of application taking into consideration in each instance the amount of feed on hand and that previously authorized and period covered by previous application.

Application blanks are available at the Jones County ASC office over Hagen's Grocery or at the FFA office in the basement of the post office in Anson.

Only Eight Identify Mystery Picture For Last Week

The Herald's mystery farm pictures must be getting more difficult to identify, because only eight readers correctly named last week's aerial view No. 4. There were plenty of other guesses, with the Starr Inzer place, the Bert Whaley farm, the Vernon Mayfield place and the Glenn Hodges farm being suggested.

Norma Brown, employee at the Reynolds Drug Store was the first to correctly identify the picture, and she will receive a one-year subscription to The Herald.

The Ray Bruner place is located six miles north of the Midwest Cooperative Oil Mill, and is occupied by the Ray Bruners only son, L. B. Bruner, and family.

Originally settled by C. T. Overby in 1907, the farm was put under the plow that year. Bruner purchased the place in 1936 from Overby, and the family has held it since that time. The Ray Bruners now live at 431 Northwest Avenue B in Hamlin. They were married December 23, 1921.

The Bruners are members of the Calvary Baptist Church.

L. B. Bruner devotes the acreage to cotton and grains, and milk cows and chickens are maintained. The farm has been contoured and terraced in recent years to maintain good soil practices.

MRS. CLEMENTS IMPROVED.

Word from Abilene at mid-week was that Mrs. Ira Clements, who has been seriously ill for two weeks with a virus and other complications, was much improved. She was taken last Friday to the Hendrick Memorial Hospital. Her husband, veteran mail carrier at Hamlin, and two sons have been with her for several days.

Hog Poisoner Bashes Hopes of Hamlin FFA Boy for Winnings at County Show

Charles Nall is a down-in-the-dumps member of the Hamlin chapter of Future Farmers of America today!

After weeks and weeks of personal attention to a couple of fine specimens of hog flesh, which he was priming for entry in the annual Jones County Club Boys' Livestock Show at Anson on February 26, his hopes were bashed last week when the two suddenly went to "hog heaven."

And, because their going was sort of mysterious and sudden, Charles and his vocational agriculture teacher, Harold V. Eades, loaded one of the animals in a pick-up and carried him to Rotan to a veterinarian for examination.

Dr. Barry Allan examined the animal and declared it was his belief that the animal had been poisoned.

Investigation was being made this week by Charles and other members of the FFA, all of whom were quite concerned about the sudden elimination of the fine animals from the show.

The boy had spent lots of time and efforts in getting his Duroc gilt and cross-bred Duroc and Hampshire barrow ready for the show. They were more than ordinary hogs—they were his project for the year in FFA work at school; they had special names,

and were almost like members of the family; the lad was banking on their helping him bring home some of the \$1,200 in prizes offered at the annual show.

But some heartless, inconsiderate person put a stop to dreams of winnings, whose conscience probably will not be irked by the sadness that today wells in the heart of a doting FFA chap.

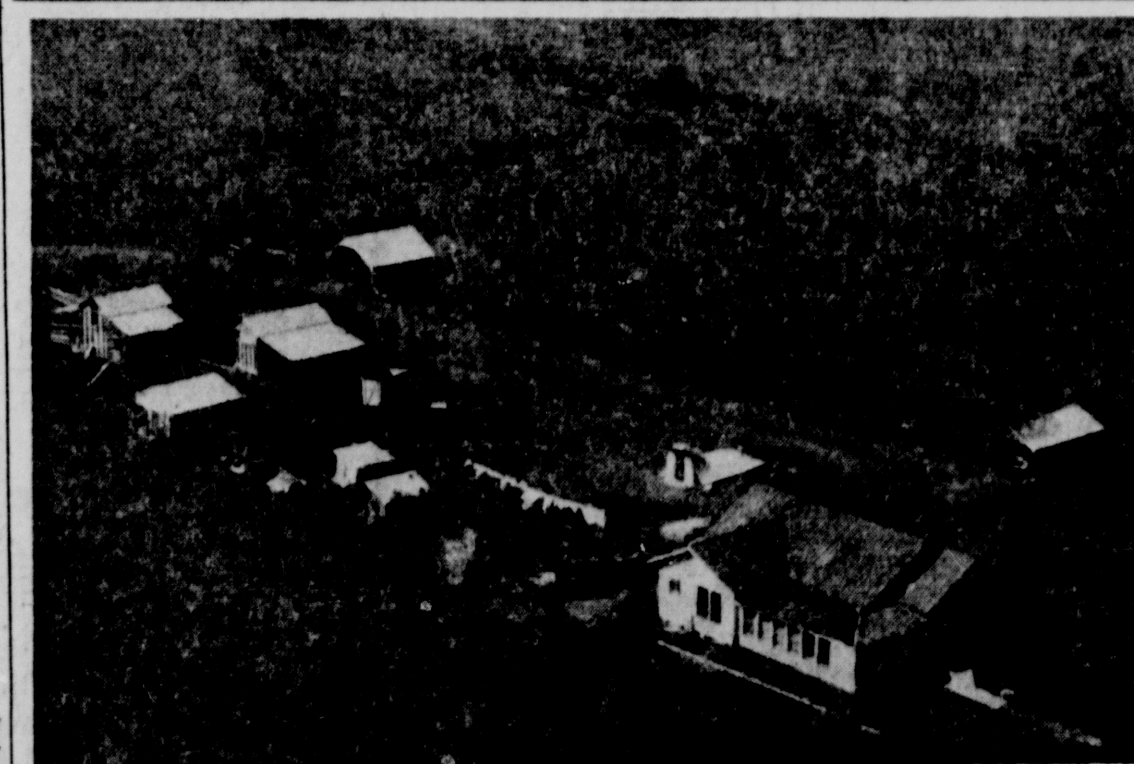
Charles is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Nall of 538 Northwest Avenue C.

Who's New This Week

Two new citizens were recorded at Hamlin Memorial Hospital since last week's report in The Herald. Both girls, they are:

A girl for Mr. and Mrs. Rita Ferguson of Hamlin, who arrived February 4 at 3:10 p. m. Weighing seven pounds six ounces, the little miss has been named Joy Elsie.

A girls for Mr. and Mrs. Rita Villarreal of Hamlin was born February 7 at 11:45 a. m. Tipping the scales beam at six pounds 13 ounces, the name Rosa Maria has been given the little senorita.



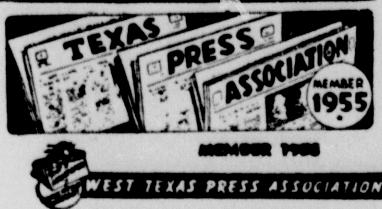
ANOTHER IN THE SERIES of Mystery Farm Pictures being run by The Herald is shown above. First person, other than the owner and his family, to correctly identify the view will be given a one-year subscription to Your Home Town Paper. In order to give readers of the paper living on the rural routes an equal chance at the identifying, no answers will be accepted before 1:00 p. m. Friday, either in person or telephoning to the paper office. The original aerial picture will be presented to the owner by The Herald.

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WILL AMERICA SERVICE THE NEW POPULATION?

Problem of providing school facilities as well as numerous community necessities and luxuries for a growing population is not only a local one for the Hamlin area, but for the state and nation as well.

The Census Bureau estimated recently that the civilian population of the United States had already passed the 159,000,000 mark and that, counting Americans in the armed forces, the total was already well above the 162,000,000 figure.

The civilian figure, as of July 1, was set at 159,084,000. This compares with the figure of 149,634,000 as of 1950. In other words, there has been a 10,000,000 population gain in the United States since the 1950 census, or a rate of growth of about 2,500,000 a year.

It is estimated there are about 1,350,000 men and women in the Armed services, so the total U. S. population as of July 1 was almost 162,500,000.

The rapidly increasing population of the

United States is one of the primary reasons why the U. S. economy should continue to move forward. A growing country is always the scene of an expanding market, and possible expanded production. It is estimated that the market in this country will expand rapidly some time around 1960, when the crop of World War II babies begins to get out of school, and marry and form families.

There was a boom in baby production during World War II years, and thus the increase in families starting about 1960 will be unusually large. The latest population report shows that the country is experiencing a very healthy growth and that, if annual income continues to rise the next decade or two, there will be a far greater demand for goods, and, therefore, ample room for new industry and services in years to come than there is today.

In other words, the day of opportunity has not passed, and there are many opportunities ahead for those who want to go after them.

A Noteworthy Birthday

We salute the Boy Scouts of America on its forty-fifth birthday, now being observed during Boy Scout Week, February 6 to 12.

Since its founding in 1910 the organization has enriched the lives of over 22,750,000 boys and adult leaders. Truly Scouting represents a living cross section of American life.

Boys of every race, religion and economic background are attracted to Scouting. Today there are 1,270,000 boys in its ranks. Add to that impressive figure the 960,000 adults of varied character who give generously of their time and talents to serve as leaders of units, Scoutmasters and in many other capacities. There is hardly an American family that has not felt its influence.

Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, the chief Scout executive, a leader in the organization since 1913, feels that it is of vital importance to train the boys of today to be ready for positions of leadership as they grow to manhood. "Strong character, participating citizenship and physical fitness," he says, "are needs of our boys and young men who are served by the program of Scouting in cooperation with the home, the school, the church, and all other community institutions actively interested in training our future citizens."

Scouting's purpose, stated in the federal charter granted by Congress in 1916, is to promote the "ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance and kindred virtues."

Every member of the nation's 95,000 Scout units is indeed "having some kind of experience that is adding to his equipment to meet the problems of adult life."

It is that training that we heartily endorse on this noteworthy birthday.

Help Wanted

Help me, O Lord, to remember that three feet make one yard, sixteen ounces one pound, four quarts one gallon, and sixty minutes one hour. Help me to do business on the square. Make me sympathetic with the fellow who has broken in the struggle. Keep me from taking unfair advantage of the weak, or from selling my self-respect for a profit.

Blind my eyes to the petty faults of others, but reveal to me my own.

And when comes the sound of low music, the scent of sweet flowers and the crunch of footsteps on the gravel, make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple: "Here lies a man . . . one who was of service to others."

Great opportunities come to all, but many do not know they have met them. The only preparation to take advantage of them is simple fidelity to what each day brings.—A. E. Dunning.

RECALLING Other Years

★ Being news items taken from old files of Your Home Town Newspaper The Herald

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

From the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated February 8, 1935, the following news items of interest of 20 years ago are reproduced:

Hamlin's streets are being given a coating of caliche with funds from the relief program of the government. Among streets slated to receive the work are Jackson, Hope, Union and Alamo Avenues.

Unusual interest has been created this week in Hamlin by the bringing in of the Merry Brothers & Perini well on the E. Howard place, 14 miles west of Hamlin. The well extends the field some six miles west of previous production.

Guy McNeal, formerly manager of the Texas Cement Plaster Company (now Celotex) mill at Hamlin, now of El Paso, was seriously injured in a car wreck Saturday night near Stamford.

A Valentine motif was used for a party given the Blue Bird Club Tuesday by Mrs. Mac Brundage. Attendees were Mmes. John Ed Day, Joe Culbertson, Paul A. Fowler, Elmer Feagan, Bob Low, G. H. Tumlin, O. L. Henry, Milton Wilson, and Mrs. Holly Toler of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Johnson returned last week from Big Spring, where they visited his father, who is 81 years old.

TEY YEARS AGO.

News items of interest in the Hamlin community 10 years ago included the following, reproduced from the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated February 9, 1945:

Sunday afternoon and supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gregory were Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Callaway of Merkel and Mrs. T. C. Gregory and daughter, Gladys, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scott of Nienda, Corporal J. E. Scarborough of Camp Wolters, and Mrs. J. E. Scarborough and Maris Gregory of Dallas.

Nightwatchman C. R. Branscum is back from a Rotan hospital after an attack of pneumonia.

Waste paper collections conducted through the Hamlin schools for the year effort totaled more than four tons, according to Logan Smith, high school principal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pitcock have received word that their son, Private Roger F. Pitcock, had been slightly wounded in war action in Belgium.

"Music for Millions," featuring Margaret O'Brien, was featured at the State Theater.

Clay Bailey, radar man with the Navy, is home on a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bailey.

FIVE YEARS AGO.

Among items of news interest in the community five years ago were the following, reprinted from the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated March 10, 1950:

Bids on construction of an 11-room addition to Hamlin Memorial Hospital, which will accommodate 20 more patients, will be let Saturday by the hospital board of directors.

City election has been set for Saturday April 4. Terms of Arlie Cassle, Clyde Huff and B. M. Brundage will expire, but they are all expected to seek reelection. Mayor Holly Toler, whose term also expires, has said definitely that he will not seek the office again.

Forty-two members of the Future Farmers of America chapter at Hamlin High School went to the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth last week-end.

Mrs. Fed Britton and sister, Mrs. B. E. Nixon, spent last week-end visiting her ranch at Whiteface. They also visited their brother, Bill Hudson, and family at Levelland.

ONE YEAR AGO.

Among items of interest in the community a year ago were the following, reproduced from the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated February 12, 1954:

Cotton growers of Jones County were allocated 16,000 additional cotton acre in new allotments announced this week from Washington. Growers of the area, through their congressmen, had asked for greater allotments due to the failure of crops last year due to the drought.

A 72-year-old man, a nine-month-old baby and a 12-year-old girl died in two fires in the Hamlin area within two days. The man was R. N. Shelton, who died in flames that destroyed his home in Northwest Hamlin Thursday morning. Bobby Don Blevins and Helen Blevins died in a fire that destroyed their home on the Charlie Adams place, six miles east of Hamlin Wednesday morning.

Strong Market Continues to Wait for Well Finished Livestock at Fort Worth

Well finished cattle found an active, strong market in Fort Worth Monday, declares Ted Gouldy, special market reporter for The Herald, in his weekly release, which continues: Some sales were higher than last week. Choice slaughter steers brought up to \$25, and medium grades sold at around \$20.

Cows and bulls were mostly steady. Good young beef cows brought up to \$13. Bulls sold mostly at \$14 down, but some individuals sold above \$14.

Calves were strong with some spots higher. A few choice slaughter calves sold at \$19.50 to \$20.

Stockers and feeders continue in good demand and not enough high quality kind to supply the needs of order buyers. About three loads of good and choice feeder steers sold at \$21.50. Stocker calves were in small supply, with a few good steer calves selling at \$21.

Good and choice beef steers sold from \$21 to \$25, and good fed heifers brought up to \$23.50. Lower grade butcher cattle sold from \$13 to \$20.

Fat cows drew \$11 to \$13, and canners and cutters cashed at \$7 to \$10. Shelly canners sold around \$7. Bull sold mostly at \$10 to \$14 with some individuals higher.

Good and choice slaughter calves brought from \$16 to \$19. A few choice calves cashed at \$19.50 to \$20. Plain and medium kinds sold from \$11 to \$15, and rambhans and culls brought mostly \$9 to \$10.

Medium and good stocker and feeder steers sold from \$14 to \$20, some choice feeders at \$21.50. Some thin, medium quality stocker cows sold from \$9 to \$10. Stocker steer calves were in small supply, and a few medium to good kinds sold from \$14 to \$21.

Top butcher hogs sold at \$18.25 at Fort Worth Monday. This was fully 50 cents higher than last week. Overweight butchers and less desirable kinds sold from \$15.50 to \$18. Sows were steady to 50 cents higher and sold at \$13.50 to \$16.

A generally steady trade prevailed on most classes of sheep and lambs at Fort Worth. Some light weight, clipped lambs were

higher. Feeder lambs were fairly steady. Good, woolled feeders, which demand the best prices, were not present.

Choice, woolled slaughter lambs brought \$21, and choice, shorn lambs cashed at \$18.50 to \$20. The higher price was for fall shorn lambs. A few plain kinds of lambs drew \$15 to \$17.

High quality feeder lambs were absent. Plain to medium feeders sold from \$16 to \$18.50, the latter price for medium woolled feeders.

Other classes of sheep were scarce. Fat ewes were quoted at \$7 to \$8.50, old bucks at \$4 to \$5 and yearlings at \$14 to \$16.

New Bond Scheme of Chain Letters Called Postal Law Violation

Numbers of Hamlin area people, who apparently were participating in the latest chain letter craze in which U. S. government bonds are being used as awards in the deal, were warned this week by Postmaster Perry Sparks that the scheme is a flagrant violation of law.

That the bond plan was reaching Hamlin was revealed several days ago when a recipient of a chain letter asked Sparks about the legality of the plan.

Sparks received a bulletin from Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield emphasizing the lottery and postal law violations by the chain letter scheme.

FARM PRICES DECLINE.

Prices of farm land in Texas fell two per cent in the four-month period ending November 1, 1954. This word comes from the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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POSTER BOY—James Clark Allen Jr., five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allen of Tyler, has been designated by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis as the 1955 March of Dimes Poster Boy. James, who was stricken with polio when he was two years old, now walks with the aid of a hip brace and two crutches.

CURTAIN CARE.

Fragile curtains can be kept dainty by frequent washings in lukewarm soap suds and rinses. If they're dryer-dried with temperature control set at "low," they'll come out soft and fluffy.

Ralph Gonzales of Hamlin Indicted on Two Counts by Jury

Ralph Gonzales, 38-year-old Latin-American farm worker of Hamlin, was named in two true bills when the Jones County grand jury of the 104th District Court reported to District Judge Owen Thomas Tuesday at Anson.

He was indicted on a charge of stealing a \$51 hog from A. E. McCarty on December 22. He also was indicted on a charge of burglarizing Guy Steen on January 6. Gonzales was in the Jones County jail.

The Gonzales family had been living on the Bristow place east of Hamlin and working for Ralph Riddle and son. The house which his family occupied burned in late December, and all their possessions were destroyed.

FIRST CONSIDERATION.

A Columbus, Ohio, judge ruled that in divorce cases the television set goes to the parent who gets custody of the children.

DANGER!

It is Dangerous to Neglect Cough from Common Cold
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The Herald's Page for Women



New Officers Elected at Meeting of Woman's Literary Club in Toler Home

New officers for next club year were elected when members of the Woman's Literary Club met last week in the home of Mrs. Holly Toler, 514 West Lake Drive, with Mrs. W. T. Johnson as hostess.

New officers are: Mrs. Clyde Grice, president; Mrs. M. T. York, first vice president; Mrs. Arlie Casle, second vice president; Mrs. W. T. Johnson, recording secretary; Mrs. Richard Young, recording secretary; Mrs. R. D. Moore, treasurer; Mrs. Weldon Johnson, parliamentarian; Mrs. F. C. Briscoe, critic; Mrs. Virgil

YWA Group Works on Library Book Repairs

Repair work on worn and used library books was done by members of the Mae Davie Young Woman's Auxiliary of the First Baptist Church when they met last Wednesday afternoon at the church. Program for the afternoon was on "Community Missions."

Refreshments were served to attendants following the program. Those present were Ruby Campbell, Freddie Rogers, Janis Crowley, Annette Smith, Ann Cochran, Sarah Walker, Carolyn Pace and Mrs. Kenneth Riddle, leader.

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Hamlin Memorial Hospital

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Patients Dismissed—Mrs. E. J. Lakey, February 7; Mrs. Paul Galey, February 8; Mrs. Jack Bond, February 1; Mrs. Ira Clements, February 4; Mrs. L. D. Odom of Aspermont, February 1; Tony Kelly, February 4; Jackie Warner, February 3; Mrs. I. M. Roberts of Sylvester, February 5; Denise Russell, February 3; Dr. Joe McCrary, February 1; Mrs. G. E. Wells, February 3; I. R. Witt, February 1; Mrs. J. L. Warner, February 3; Mrs. J. H. Lawlis of Sylvester, February 6; Mrs. R. C. Ritchie, February 5; Mrs. J. A. Williams, February 4; Lonnie Ball of Aspermont, February 5; J. H. Pace, February 4; Claude Gillum, February 4; Mrs. A. E. Johnson, February 7; Elizabeth Johnson, February 5; Richard Herring of Stamford, February 5; Richie Smith, February 7; W. E. Stevenson of McCaulley, February 5; Mrs. W. G. Ferguson, February 8.

MEAT REFRESHER.

Stuff a square lamb shoulder roast with a bread crumb stuffing to which chopped mint leaves are added. Go slow on the mint, however. A tablespoon of the minced leaves will be plenty for a stuffing made from about eight slices of bread.



SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS were installed in special ceremonies at the Hamlin High School last Thursday into the Hamlin chapter of the National Honor Society, under direction of Mrs. Charles Scott, sponsor. The entire present membership is pictured above. They are (reading from left to right): Front row—Judy Brannon, Barbara Durham, Peggy Briscoe, Laveta French, Alta Lois Rodgers, Amanda Freeman; second row—Carolyn Pace, Betty Dillard, Ioya Bigham, Reba Roland, Mrs. Charles Scott; third row—Jackie Drummond, Paige Baize, Dennis Johnson and Billy Kelly.

Samuella Ruth Cavitt And J. E. Scarborough Married at Carlsbad.

Samuella Ruth Cavitt became the bride of J. E. Scarborough in a single ring ceremony performed at Carlsbad, New Mexico, Saturday, January 15, according to a release to The Herald.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cavitt, is a 1953 graduate of Hamlin High School, and was a student nurse at Hendrick Memorial Hospital School of Nursing at Abilene at the time of her marriage.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sharp of Rotan, is a graduate of Hamlin High School and Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene. He also served in the U. S. Army and received his discharge in March, 1954.

For her wedding Samuella chose a navy linen dress with fitted torso and full skirt, accented with rhinestones and white collar. Her accessories were navy and white. The couple is living in Borger, where he is employed in the research department of the synthetic rubber plant there.

Chili Supper Planned For Tuesday Night by McCaulley Women

A chili supper was planned by members of the McCaulley Home Demonstration Club when they met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Ray Maberry.

The public is cordially invited to the school lunch room Tuesday evening, February 15, at 6:30 for the supper. Plates for children under 12 years of age will be 50 cents, and plates for adults will be \$1.

Games will follow the supper. You will enjoy the home-cooked food and the entertainment, say leaders of the club.

Mrs. Maberry gave a demonstration on cooking pot roasts and served some, with pound cake and coffee to Mrs. Hallie McFatter, a visitor, and the following members: Mmes. Milliner, Jerry Maberry, A. G. Smith, Glenn Henderson, Bill Fancher, Ted Abbott, Della Fancher, Luther Maberry, C. A. McHone and Louis Boyd.

The club adjourned to meet February 14 with Mrs. Della Fancher.

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New Camp Fire Girls Council to Be Named

Election of new board of directors and officers for the Hamlin council of the Camp Fire Girls will feature the business session of the council members when they gather next Thursday evening, February 17, at 7:30 o'clock at the Camp Fire Girls hut in West Hamlin. The council comprises all the adult membership of the Camp Fire Girls of Hamlin.

The group will approve the by-laws for the council, elect the board of directors and officers and name the chairman of the group leaders' association and the regional representative.

All members were urged to remember the gathering, according to C. L. Howard, council chairman.

Robin's Kin Bluebirds Make Gift Valentines

Valentines for patients in the hospital was the project for members of the Robin's Kin group of Bluebirds when they met Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the Camp Fire Girls hut in West Hamlin.

Mrs. Teague served refreshments to the group. The meeting was closed by the girls singing "Sing Your Way Home."

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Venus Probably Wore Wrong Shoes

Venus de Milo, long regarded as the perfect beauty, isn't, says Dr. Sidney R. Bob of Los Angeles. He says she has a hammer toe on her right foot.

Dr. Bob, after inspecting the famed statue during a European tour, told the California Association of Chiropodists:

"Female vanity hasn't changed much since the days of the ancient Greeks. I suspect the model for the goddess, like her modern counterparts, wore the wrong shoes because she thought they flattered her feet."

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Another ODDS AND ENDS SALE at the Book Shop!

Beginning Friday morning, February 11 (today) and running through Saturday and Monday.

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Bride-to-Be of Hamlin Man Honored At Gift Tea at Rotan Home Thursday

A gift tea, honoring Dorothy Neal, bride-elect of Roy Riley of Hamlin, was hosted in the home of Mrs. Dono Darden at Rotan last Thursday, with calling hours from 3:00 to 5:00 o'clock.

Miss Neal is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Neal of Rotan. Riley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kennedy of Hamlin. Wedding of the two will be March 6 in the Neal home at Rotan.

Hostesses with Mrs. Darden were Mmes. Joe Henry, C. C. Carter, Norman Carlton, W. H. McCright, Will Hargrove, Carl Singlet, Grover Carter, Hugh Huckaby, Hollis Swearingin, and Misses Jo Dell Shipp, Patsy Ashton and Emonia Fairry.

The door was opened by the Dardens' young daughter, Nancy. Mrs. Darden headed the receiving group, which included the honoree and mothers of the betrothed couple and the bride-elect's sister, Loretta Neal.

Miss Neal wore a touseau frock of pink taffeta, with a corsage of white carnations.

Guests were registered by Margaret Gruben. Lanny Posey and Carol Hargrove were at the tea.

able. Soloist was Dorothy Louise Niles. Pianist was Relna Branch. Others of the house group assisted in serving and were in the gift display rooms.

The tea table was laid with white lace, the corners tied with red satin bows. Centerpiece was of red carnations and red candles. Red and white gladiolus were arranged on the piano.

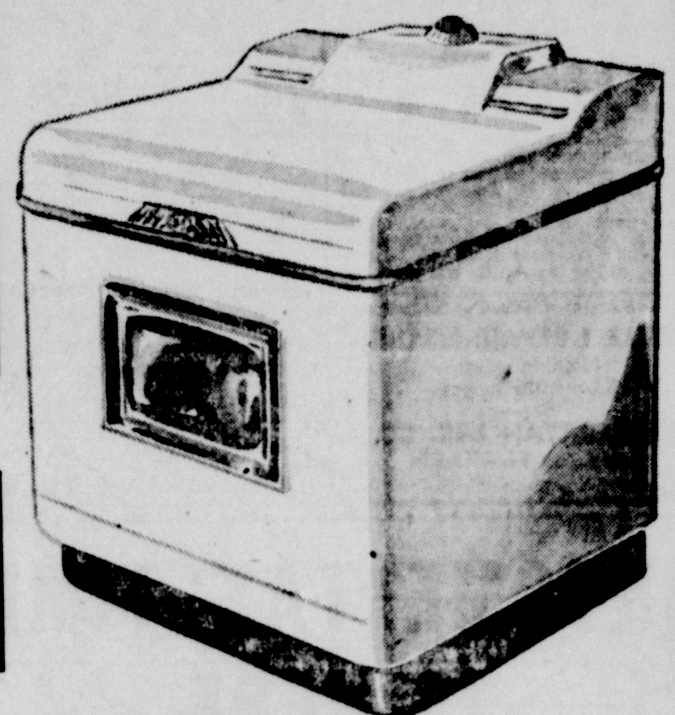
Earlier Miss Neal was honored with a gadget shower, hosted by two classmates, Lanny Posey and Carole Hargrove, in the Posey home at Rotan. A large group of school friends attended. Also present was the honoree's mother, Mrs. A. R. Shipp. Mrs. Dave Posey assisted the hosting two with the affair.

VISIT FROM LUBBOCK.

Mrs. Ann McBride and Mrs. Ira Williams of Lubbock have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Childers. Mrs. McBride is a sister of Mrs. Childers.

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China Situation Is Delicate, But All-Out War Not Expected, Says Congressman

The China situation is discussed at length in this week's release from Washington: As it Looks from "by Congressman Omar Burleson. His regular weekly news letter follows:

Official position in Washington is that Red China will not fight. Although no one could be certain on this point, this much can be borne in mind to support that position. Russia is not likely to get her involved in a war on account of China. Communist China has no navy to speak of; her air force, except for fighter planes, is not strong enough for a sustained offensive; she has only a few developed resources; little oil and no industry to speak of. Human beings are the main means of transportation in many areas. An army and an air force, with no real industry to support them, lack staying power.

Be this as it may, the Chinese have the largest army in Asia and can be used to intimidate weaker nations in Southeast Asia. In fact, it has paid her big dividends thus far.

The Communists began the fight in Korea under the impression that the United States would not enter the war against them. President Eisenhower and the Congress have now removed any such doubt regarding Formosa. I offered an amendment to the president's request that Congress back up his

policy, stating that this action should not set a precedent which would lead either people in this country or overseas to think that the president had to take such action every time an emergency occurred.

It is my personal belief that the Chinese Communists have their eyes more on Southeast Asia than on Formosa, and that they may be throwing up a smoke screen as a diversionary tactic.

The existing situation is sensitive, to say the least, and there is no need to speculate on what may happen. The Chinese Communists have tasted victory in several instances, which has raised their prestige in Asia and it has caused the Communist leaders to become pretty drunk with power. This is a dangerous thing, and particularly for the Oriental mind, which could result in the worst.

Employment Practices.—According to persons who have studied the trends in employment practices, men over 40 or 45 years of age are finding it difficult to find employment. In the case of women, the age is around 35 or even younger.

The practice is said to grow out of the employers' desire to keep down their pension liability, which is increased when older workers are taken on.

On the other hand, the ban against hiring workers of 35 to 45 years of age will mean that in a short time fewer workers will be supporting a growing lot of jobless citizens, either through taxes or by direct contributions. The answer may lie in making private pension and welfare programs more flexible than they are at present. This problem may never become acute in our area, but of course, it is acute to the individual when it happens to him.

Texas Farm Income In 1954 Was Lowest For State Since 1946

Low cash farm income in the Hamlin area last year was typified over a good portion of Texas.

Texas farm cash income in 1954 totaled \$1,848,000,000—lowest of any year since 1946, and one per cent below 1953. The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports in a release to The Herald.

General conclusion reached at the U. S. Department of Agriculture's annual outlook conference is that 1955 will be very much like 1954, the bureau adds.

Most of the commercially important crops produced higher income in 1954 than in 1953.

Generally speaking, 1954 farm cash income from livestock and livestock products failed to equal the 1953 total. The only exception was sheep and lamb income, 14 per cent above a year earlier. Cattle income was off five per cent; eggs, 22 per cent; and milk and milk products, 17 per cent. The 3,920,000 bales of cotton harvested in Texas during 1954 was well above the 10-year average but still below 1953 total production.

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THE MEN WHO WERE THERE REMEMBER—Robert E. Ford of the Dallas Associated Press was a lieutenant on Iwo Jima, that "raw patch of ground the men who were there still remember." On the 10th anniversary of the famed battle, which will be Sunday, Ford wrote a moving account of events as they were then. Above (left) he is shown being congratulated by Admiral Chester A. Nimitz after receiving a commendation for a battle that came before Iwo Jima, and (right) as he is today.

First Place Winner Tuberculosis Essay Written by Martha Workman of Avoca

As part of the recent campaign drive of the Jones County Tuberculosis Association, a contest designed to create interest among high school students was conducted. Prizes of \$10, \$7.50 and \$5.00 for first, second and third places were presented by the association for the best essays on "Tuberculosis: Its Prevention and Cure."

Because of the factual and informative content of the essays, The Herald will print the three prize winning essays.

Martha Workman of Avoca was awarded first place in the contest. Laveta French of Hamlin placed second, and Diane Oden of Anson wrote the third place essay.

Miss Workman's essay follows:

The "white plague," more commonly known as tuberculosis, is widespread and deadly. Although it threatens many more lives than it claims, it still ranks seventh among the greatest causes of death. Because this threat must be guarded against, we are concerned with the prevention of tuberculosis; if it cannot be prevented, we must consider cure and treatment. Particularly are these things true when we understand that although tuberculosis is most prevalent among the poor, it may also attack persons in all income groups. This killer, then, is no respecter of persons, and the more we realize this, the more certain we are to respect it for what it is—a truly a "white plague" that causes about one-tenth of all human deaths.

We are making gains in the fight against this disease, but it is essential that everyone should realize that tuberculosis is still prevalent, and that the help of a well-informed public is needed if it is to be overcome. What can we do to protect our families and so help to protect our communities from tuberculosis? Annual chest X-rays and periodic examinations are important. Stamina may be built up and maintained

with well-balanced meals. Rest and a relaxed attitude in every-day living contribute a great deal to one's health in this respect. Poor housing and sanitation should be improved upon. Good health should be taught and practiced in our schools, factories, businesses, hospitals and homes. The program of our local Tuberculosis Association and Health Department should receive our cooperation in their work to prevent tuberculosis.

As a more definite safeguard against tuberculosis, there is a vaccine, BCG (the Bacillus of Calmette and Guérin). However, it does not prevent tuberculosis in all cases, nor is it yet certain how long its protection lasts. It is harmless, yet scientists are not positive of its effectiveness. Since a person may not become ill and develop definite symptoms when exposed to tuberculosis, doctors administer BCG only when there is unusual danger of contracting the disease. In this country, it is used on Indian reservations, for instance, and on doctors and nurses who work with tuberculosis patients. In some countries where tuberculosis is rampant BCG is used extensively.

As to the cure of tuberculosis, good treatment with such modern drugs as streptomycin and PAS (paraminosalic acid), is expensive. A long period of care—not weeks or months, but a year or more—is usually essential. It includes rest in bed under medical attention, properly selected and prepared food, and sometimes chest operations to remove damaged parts of the lung. However, great strides have been taken in the field of medicine to achieve a greater percentage of cure than was thought possible.

So, the "white plague" is not an unconquerable menace—but something which needs only to be understood in order that greater prevention and cure may be brought about.

Truett Walton to Speak at Rotary Anniversary Event

Dr. Truett Walton of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, former district governor of Rotary International, will be the speaker at the celebration February 25 in Hamlin of the fiftieth anniversary of Rotary, when Hamlin Rotary Club will stage a ladies' night at Hamlin Primary School cafeteria. This was announced at the Wednesday luncheon of the civic group at the oil mill guest house.

President Weldon Johnson named committees for the affair as follows: John Howard and Curtis Dodd, food; Mr. and Mrs. Louie Cunningham; and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lawson, registration; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Feagan, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Grace and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murrell, reception and fellowship; Eddie Jay, Gayle Bowen and Houston Walker, entertainment.

Tate May gave a brief summary of the first 50 years of Rotary as a program feature. He declared that at the anniversary celebration February 25 the charter members of the Hamlin Rotary Club will be especially honored. Five members of the club now, as well as several others who have dropped membership in the local club, were members of the Hamlin club organized in 1927.

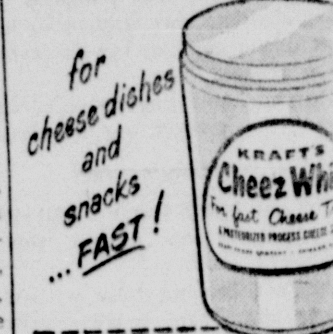
Guests at the Wednesday luncheon included Roy Scott, Joe Honeycutt and A. B. Youngblood of Abilene; W. M. Blackburn and Billy Bryant of Stamford; and Bobby Brown, Hamlin High School senior, junior Rotarian.

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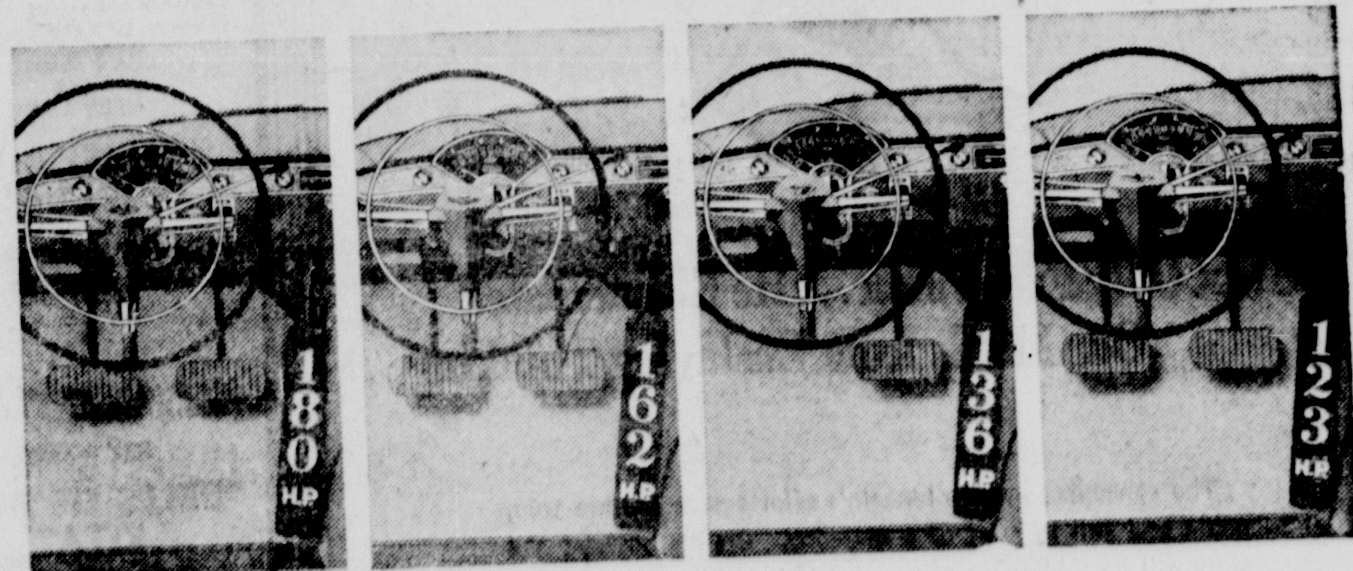
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Jacinto Rivera Rejoins Army for Six Years

Sergeant Jacinto S. Rivera Jr., 23-year-old son of Mrs. Margarita Nunez of Hamlin, recently re-enlisted in Pirmasens, Germany, for six years in the regular Army, according to a dispatch from the Army headquarters at that European base.

Rivera, in the Army since September, 1952, is an assistant gun section chief with the 49th Field Artillery Battalion's Battery B. He has been overseas since last April.

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The Herald's Page of Sports



Stamford Favored to Take Cage Tourney Title at Home

Pied Pipers Play First Round Tilt Monday Evening

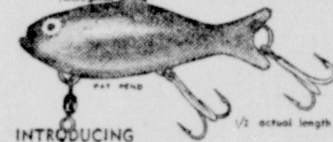
Five member teams of District 4-AA were readying this week-end for the annual end-of-season tournament, which will be held Monday and Tuesday at Stamford. The date was pushed up from the original schedule of February 17, 18 and 19.

Both boys' and girls' teams of the area will participate in the two-night session, which is not holding quite the interest that it should because of the lack of real competition between the teams. The strong Stamford Bulldogs, playing with most of last year's last-stepping courtsters, after an early season defeat of the Colorado City Wolves, established themselves as the easy winner of the double round robin play of the season. Anson, Hamlin and Rotan furnished the fodder for the two leaders most of the way, however, a few upsets have occurred along.

Hamlin and Rotan are scheduled to battle for the fourth place position in the regular district play this (Friday) evening on the Hamlin Junior High School court. The game will be at 8:00 o'clock. Preceding the boys' game, the Hamlin and Rotan girls will play a first-round tilt of the week-end's tournament at 6:30.

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NAMED LINE COACH—A. M. (Mike) Michalske (above) has been named line coach at the University of Texas. A Penn State graduate and a former pro football player, he was head coach at Iowa State for five years. He has also served as line coach at Baylor and Texas A. & M.

DISTRICT 4-AA STANDINGS

With the regular District 4-AA basketball race about wound up for the season, the standings after first-of-the-week games looked like this:

Team	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Stamford	7	7	0	1.000
Colorado City	8	6	2	.750
Anson	8	3	5	.375
Hamlin	8	2	6	.250
Rotan	7	1	6	.142

Results of Past Week.
Hamlin 39, Rotan 35.
Stamford 57, Anson 25.
Colorado City 46, Hamlin 40.
Colorado City 89, Rotan 40.
Anson 29, Hamlin 24.

THAT'S DIPLOMACY.

Traffic Officer (sternly)—"Say, where do you think you're going—to a fire?"
Woman Driver (cooly)—"Yes, you big, strong handsome officer."
Traffic Officer—"Well, since you told the truth, drive on."

Piperette Cagers Win Last Two Tilts On District Menu

Coach Dora Mitchell's Hamlin High School Piperette basketball crew won their last two home district games. They defeated Colorado City Monday night by a 29 to 27 score, and trimmed Anson Tuesday night in an overtime period to the tune of 30 to 28. The score of the Anson game was tied at 24-24 at the end of the regular playing period.

Forwards Pat Stuart and Helen Johnston were high scorers both nights. Pat made 12 points in the Colorado City game, and 16 in the Anson tilt. Helen bucketed 11 markers Monday night and 10 Tuesday night, four of her points Tuesday night being in the crucial overtime period.

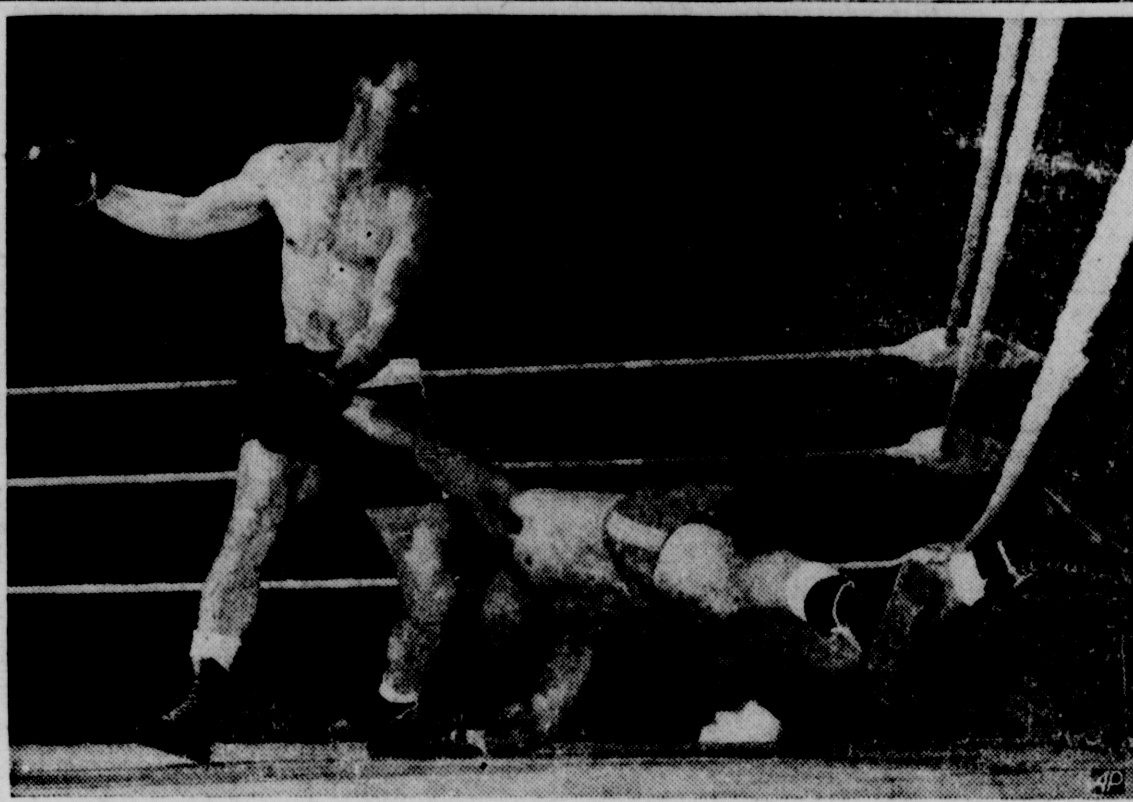
Piperette Guard Melba Ueckert was an outstanding player both games, Coach Mitchell reports. With the aid of Jean Powell, Martha Hubbard, Janis Crowley and Shasta Payne, the visiting girls' scoring was held in check.

The Piperettes are third in the district standings, and will meet first place Rotan girls tonight (Friday) at Hamlin as a first round game for the district tournament which will continue Monday and Tuesday at Stamford.

In the six district games played this season Pat Stuart made a total of 58 points, Linda Carlton scored 49, and Helen Johnston tallied 45.

PICKING SIDES.

A farmer who was a witness in a hog stealing case seemed to be stretching a point or two in favor of the accused.
"Do you know the nature of an oath?" the prosecuting attorney roared.
"Sure."
"Do you know you are not to bear false witness against your neighbor?"
"I'm not bearing false witness against him. I'm bearing false witness for him."



"HE FLOATS THROUGH THE AIR..."—Everett Burnett of Dallas, right, appears to be floating right through the air before making a landing on the canvas in the first round of his semi-final bout in the open middle-weight division of the Golden Gloves Tournament in Dallas. It was the third time Burnett went down and it won an automatic TKO victory for Airman Second Class Robert Jarmans, left of Baltimore, Maryland, who is stationed at Perrin Air Force Base.

Stamford Bulldogs Continue to Pass District 4-AA Cagers as Season Closes

The past week of play in the District 4-AA basketball race has been some more of the same, with the strong Stamford Bulldogs continuing to dominate the scenery.

Colorado City Wolves defeated the Hamlin Pied Pipers Monday night by a 46 to 40 score on the Hamlin court to further cinch a hold on second place in the district. The Hamlin girls won their tilt 29 to 27. James Boyd was high pointer for the Pipers Monday night with 14, and Don Forrester and Bill Simmons racked up the same amount for Colorado City.

It was nearly a run-away Tuesday night when the Rotan Yellowhammers fell before the Colorado City Wolves by a 89 to 40 score. The tilt was played at Colorado City. Don Flippin led the scoring for the victorious Wolves with 20 points, and Don Forrester was on his heels with 17. Porter, rung 10 markers for Rotan to lead the Yellowhammers.

Tuesday night the Hamlin Pied Pipers entertained their old friends from the county seat, but permitted them to leave town on the long end of a 29 to 24 score. But the Piperettes made it a little

sweeter for the boys when they tripped the Anson girls by a 30 to 28 score. Justin Rowland was high pointer for the Pipers with nine points, while Robert Altum accounted for eight. Franklin Sims and Sanders each bucketed eight points for the Anson Tigers.

VOICE FROM GALLERY.

A certain minister, who was noted for his long sermons, reached at length a kind of resting place in his discourse. Pausing to take a breath, he asked the question:
"And what shall I say next?"
A voice from the congregation responded, "Amen."

Masser Animals Place In Abilene Dog Show

The G. L. Masser family's Chihuahua dogs fared very nicely at the West Texas Dog Show last week-end at Abilene.

In the open male class the Masser entry placed second. In the puppy class, Masser animals were rated third and fourth, according to judges' decisions.

Ted, 13-year-old son of the Massers, who live southwest of Hamlin, won an award for his handling of his entry in the child handling section of the show.

NEARLY AUTOMATIC.

Housewife—"What do you find best for mopping the kitchen floor?"
Neighbor—"I have tried lots of things, but I find my husband the best."

Booster Group Slates Last Meet February 21

Final meeting of the current season of the Hamlin Booster Club will be held Monday, February 21, it was revealed this week by officials of the backers of Hamlin High School athletics. No meeting will be held next Monday, the regular time.

Plans will be discussed at the Monday week gathering for the May session when new officers for next fall's operations will be named.

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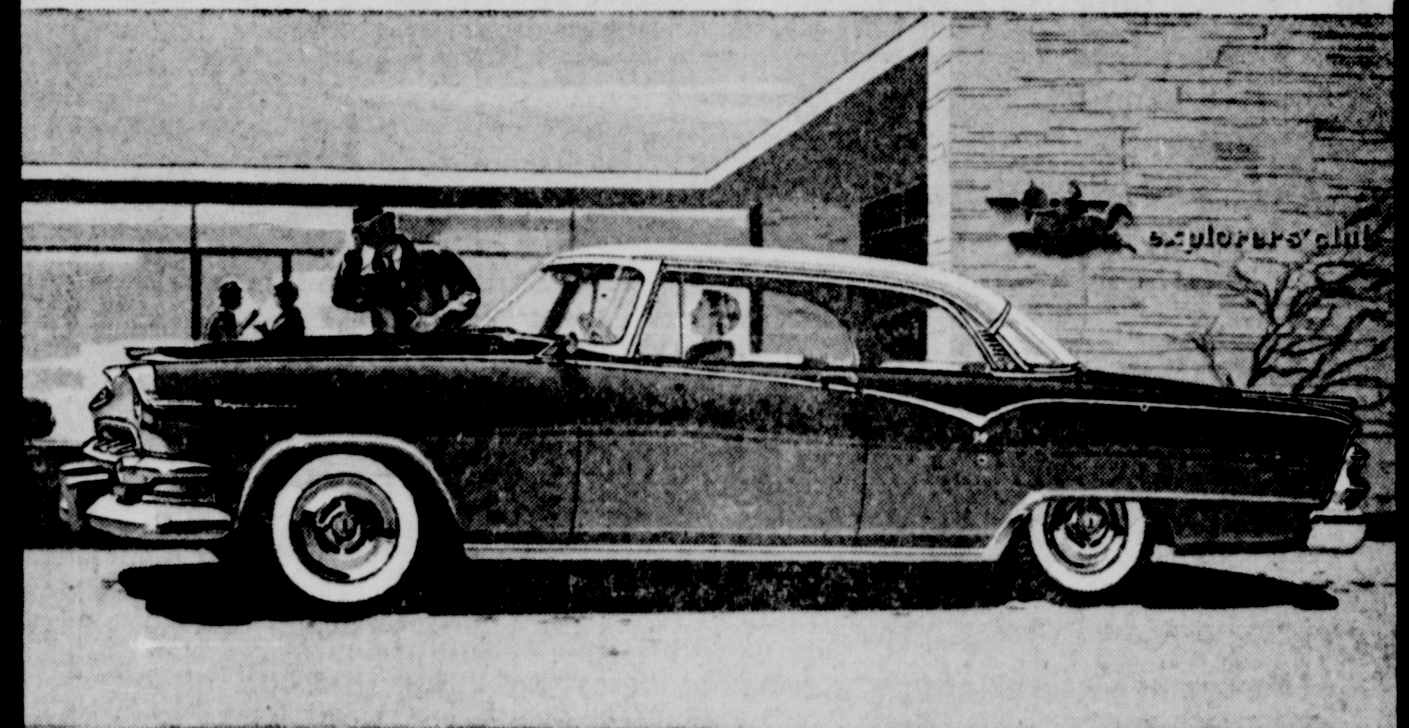


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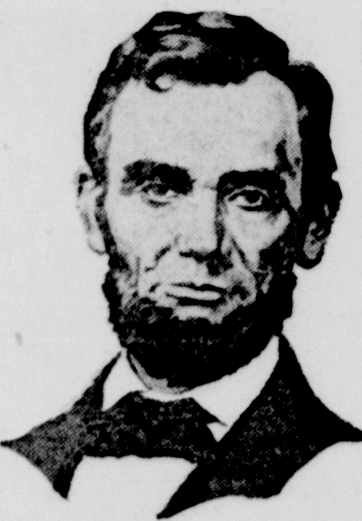
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Tom Carswell Will Speak at Lions Club Silver Anniversary

Tom Carswell of Abilene, who was district governor and presented the charter to the Hamlin Lions Club 25 years ago, will be the speaker for the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration of the local club next Friday night, February 18. This arrangement was revealed at the Tuesday noon luncheon of the club at the oil mill guest house.

The silver anniversary program, which will be a ladies' night affair, is scheduled in the Primary School cafeteria. No regular meeting of the club will be held next Tuesday at noon.

Harold Eades, vocational agriculture teacher at Hamlin High School, and one of the sponsors of the Hamlin Future Farmers of America, gave some highlights of the forthcoming Jones County Club Boys' Livestock Show for the program. The show is slated for Ansonia February 26, and \$1,200 in cash prizes has been posted for winners in the hog, dairy cow, fat steer, sheep and capon divisions.

The Lions Club voted to provide trophy for the grand champion winner in the hog division at the show.

Besides Eades, other guests at the Tuesday luncheon were Kenneth Hill of Abilene and Zack Burkett of Graham.

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New luggage designed for modern travel is made of magnesium and covered in vinyl, available in six colors including brown and white. Inner fittings have waterproof linings, plastic hangers and packing rods. The manufacturers report the new metal lightens the luggage by 25 per cent. Magnesium obtained from sea water is available in the amount of about 4,500,000 tons to one cubic mile of sea water.

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Disabled Workers May Apply Now for Frozen Records

"We are now ready to accept applications from disabled workers to have their earnings records declared frozen under the 1954 amendments to the social security act," R. R. Tuley Jr., social security district manager of Abilene, announced this week in a release to The Herald.

Tuley pointed out that persons who have been totally disabled for six months or longer, and who worked in jobs covered by the social security law for as many as five years out of the 10 years before they were disabled should get information about this new provision in the social security act. By applying to have their social security earnings records frozen while they are disabled, they may prevent loss or reduction of future benefits.

Some people now receiving old age insurance payments were disabled for long periods before they reached age 65 and are still disabled. They, too, can benefit from the new law if they had the required amount of work under the law before they became disabled.

Tuley emphasized that the law protects the social security rights of a person who is suffering from a prolonged total disability, but does not pay cash benefits to him before he is 65.

Address of the Abilene social security office is 308 Post Office Building. If a disabled person is unable to call at the office, or meet a representative at one of the regular itinerant stations in the 16-county area served by the Abilene office, he may telephone or have someone else call for him, Tuley concluded.

One Completion and New Site in Oil Action

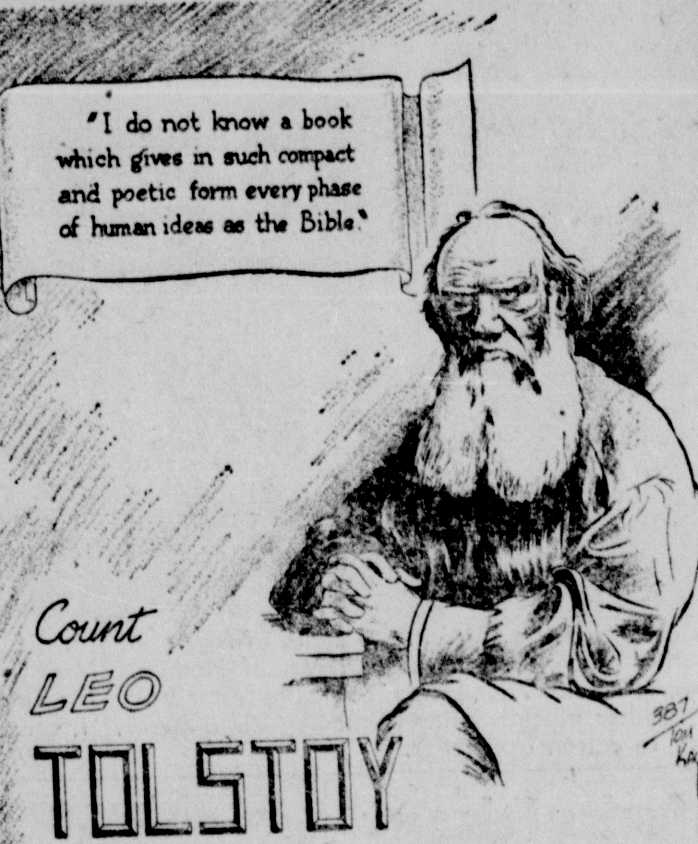
One completion and a new location constitute the oil news in the Hamlin area for the past several days.

Sid Katz Exploration Company's No. 1 R. J. Robertson, four miles northwest of Hamlin, is indicated as a discovery. It is being completed from 3,677-84 feet. Site is in Section 185, Block 1, B. B. & C. Railway Company Survey.

Katz also announced the location for its No. 2 R. J. Robertson, 273 feet southeast of the No. 1 well. Location is 660 feet from the north and west lines of Section 186, Block 1, B. B. & C. Railway Company Survey.

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Fisher County Farmers to Discuss Loans at Meeting

Farmers and ranchers of Fisher County, neighbor just to the west of Hamlin, are studying farm credit, according to a release to The Herald.

Farm credit is a topic of conversation in many places these days and as a result the Fisher County Farmers Union, under the leadership of Joe Dismore, has arranged for an informational farm credit meeting in the REA building at Roby at 7:30 p. m. Monday.

Dismore states that there will be special representatives of the FHA and Sweetwater Production Credit Association present to explain the loans which they have available for farmers. There has been some misunderstanding as to who is eligible for disaster loans, and full information will be available at this meeting.

Dismore announced that two Fisher County farmers would be selected to represent Fisher County Farmers Union in an appearance before some congressional committee in Washington, D. C., during the first week in March. Dismore emphasized the fact

that the meeting, although sponsored by the Fisher County Farmers Union, will be an open meeting and all county farmers are invited to attend.

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Agriculture Commissioner Joins Others In Seeking Cotton Acreage Adjustment

Jones County cotton growers, as well as those of other sections of the state that have been so hard hit the past four years by severe drought conditions, generally feel that they are entitled to greater cotton acreages than recently allotted because of the past few failures.

John C. White, state commissioner of agriculture, feels the

same way, and is endeavoring, in cooperation with Texas congressmen and others, to get the allotments increased.

White has issued the following release about the subject:

Texas cotton farmers will be allowed to plant 7,612,779 acres of cotton this season. The question now arises: Has the pendulum swung too far in favor of controlled production?

In Texas, agriculture has been hard-hit by a four-year drought. In many areas, the few acres allowed for cotton under the allotment program failed to produce at all. This brought economic hardship where cotton is the main cash crop.

This year, the cotton farmer needs to make money on his crop. However, price alone, guaranteed by a parity program based on reduced acreage, does not insure farm prosperity. It is price times volume that will determine profits in 1955.

After all, it is what remains in the farmer's pocket after the bills are paid—his net income—that measures whether he has had a good year or a bad one.

Deeper crop cut-backs are ordinarily used as a basis to support the parity program. They act as a temporary restraining force to prevent a burdensome surplus that would break the market price. This has been the practice in former years and in many cases has worked to good advantage.

But these days in Texas, due to the drought, are not ordinary in any sense of the word.

The Texas farmer will need to plant more cotton this year and still be assured of a good price. Instead, present plans call for cutting last year's acreage back by an additional 16 per cent.

At the very minimum, Texas should have at least as much acreage as it had last year, if not more. Now that our farmers are under economic stress, it is no time to bolster the price of cotton by further reducing the acreage.

This year, the farmer needs price plus volume.

Lone Star Gas Firm Employees Lauded for Safety Record in 1954

Hamlin employees of the Lone Star Gas Company, who are part of the Stamford district, have recently been cited for their safety record of the past year.

One hundred and seven separate employee groups of the concern and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Lone Star Producing Company, have attained perfect safety records representing 19,169,199 hours of work without a lost time accident.

The records, ranging from one through 26 years as of December 31, 1954, represent a cumulative total of 457 years. Last year the 107 employee units amassed accident-free hours totaling 5,433,516.

Lone Star President D. A. Hulcy lauded Lone Star personnel for their day-in and day-out efforts toward accident prevention.

"The safety records," Hulcy said, "reflect strict adherence to Lone Star's constant program of training employees in the importance of safety—not only in their lives but in the lives of the men, women and children who represent the public we serve."

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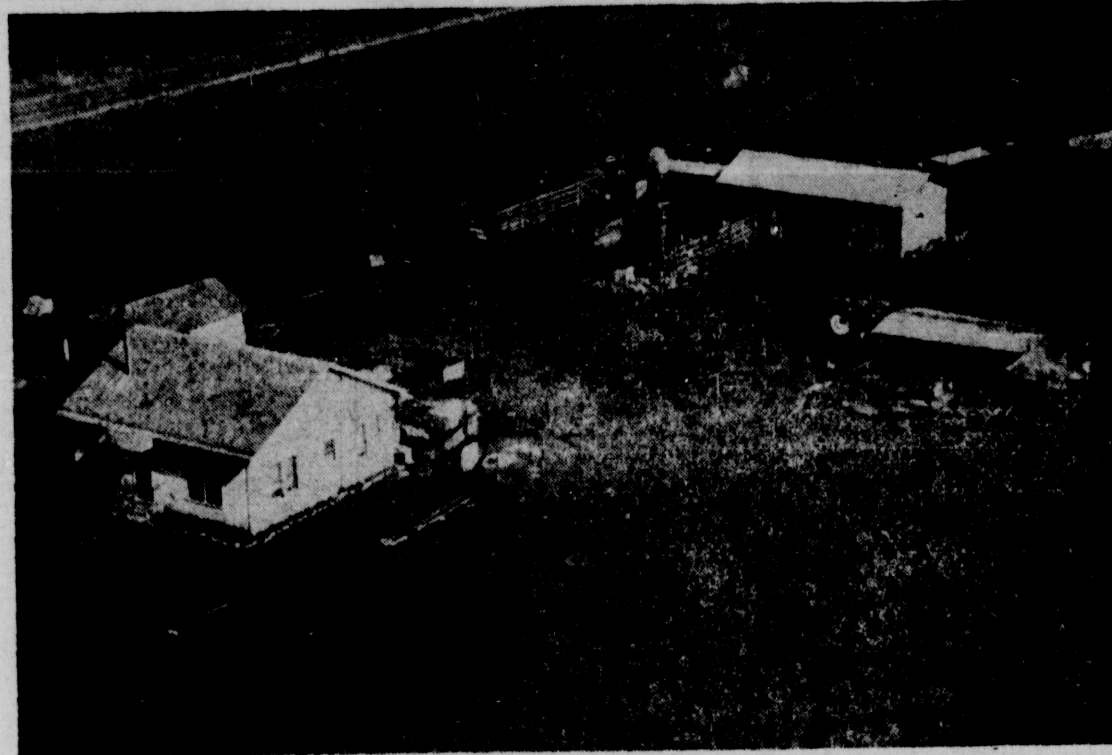
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ELEVEN PERSONS correctly identified the third in the series of Mystery Farm pictures shown above as the Hiram Prather place, five miles southwest of Hamlin. Mrs. Grady Smith received a one-year subscription to Your Home Town Paper for being the first to identify the aerial view. The Prather place is being farmed by Virgil Steele. It contains 100 acres, and is being planted to cotton and feeds.

Traffic Safety Drive During February To Feature Pledge Mute to Code of Road

Now's the time to stand up and be counted!

During the month of February, the Texas Safety Association and the Texas Department of Public Safety are urging adherence to a courteous driving pledge, "The Code of the Road," and by the end of the month they hope to have the cooperation of every registered driver in Texas.

In agreeing to the pledge, a driver promises to live up to seven basic rules of driving courtesy.

Courteous driving programs are not new, but the idea of measuring the success of such programs is.

It was started in Midland, Michigan, last October when the National Safety Council and the Inter-Industry Highway Safety Committee cooperated with the Midland Traffic Safety Commission and the American Association of University Women in conducting a pilot operation safety program along these lines. In the month-long effort 10,000 drivers—virtually 100 per cent of the Midland area's registered drivers—cooperated by signing "Code of the Road" pledges. During February numerous communities throughout the nation are conducting similar operation safety programs using Midland's record as their goal.

In Texas, the Texas Safety Association and Department of Public Safety are not asking motorists to sign written pledges, but R. B. Rooper of Houston, president of the Texas Safety Association, and Colonel Homer Garrison Jr., director of the Department of Public Safety have issued a joint appeal for each driver in the state to make a "pact" with himself agreeing to adhere to the basic rules of driving courtesy.

But let us not forget that it's not the pacts themselves that are important. It's the thinking behind the agreements that counts. Each agreement represents a driver who is convinced that courtesy on the road is a must and who believes it so strongly that he pledges himself to live up to the rules of courtesy at all times.

The objective of the program is to get 100 per cent of our drivers

thinking this way. That would follow if every driver realized two important facts. The first is that the line between discourtesy and traffic law violation is a thin one, and it is often difficult to tell when it is crossed. The second is that there is a very definite relationship between traffic law violations and traffic accidents. Just how definite this is can be shown statistically. In 1953 62 per cent of drivers in fatal accidents were violating a traffic law at the time of the accident.

Realizing that his own safety and the safety of all he meets in traffic depends to a great extent on his courteous conduct, no driver should have any difficulty in living up to his pledge of courteous driving.

Review of Soil Conservation Work in California Creek District Looks Good

Soil conservation work in the territory of the California Creek Soil Conservation District during 1954 experienced pleasing results. It is reported this week in the annual review submitted by the district officials. The report was released by Hiram Olson, chairman; Bruno Kupatt, vice chairman; Revis Robertson, secretary; C. E. Lantrip and Brooke Early, members of the board of supervisors.

Not only was much constructive work done toward saving the soil and moisture in the area, but an improved feeling and understanding of the conservation practices is being felt, the officials said.

During the year 1954 the board approved 154 plans that covered 36,840 acres. These additional 154 plans bring the total number of cooperators to 2,321 covering 807,053 acres. Four hundred forty-two acres in the district was planted to blue panic grass. Another 500 acres or more was planted but did not come up due to the drought.

The district now has the following equipment which is rented



HOUSE SPEAKER—Representative Jim Lindsey of Arkansas (above) recently was elected speaker of the new Texas House of Representatives. He will be 29 years of age on February 1. He is less than five years out of the law school of Baylor University, where he graduated with honors.

to the cooperators through the vocational agriculture teachers in the district: Seven two-row legume and grass seeders; two grass drills; two land levelers or land planes; five combination legume-fertilizer drills; and three sets of border ridgers. The equipment has a value of approximately \$6,700.

The board believes the most important conservation measures for this district for the board and assisting agencies to work upon are proper range use, cover crops and stubble mulching. The drought of the past four years has made this very evident.

Accomplishments of the district for 1954 are listed as follows: 30,113 acres of contour farming applied; 7,646 acres of cover crops planted; 241 acres of rotation hay and pasture; 26,440 acres of stubble mulching applied; 140 acres of strip cropping; 14,190 acres of deferred grazing; 24,161 acres of proper use; 45 acres of range seeding; 201 acres of pasture seeding; 10,195 acres of brush control; 24 fish pond improvements; 415 miles of terraces;

VETERAN QUESTIONS

The questions and answers below about veteran problems are carried as a service to present and former service men. Material for this column is supplied by the area office of the Veterans Administration at Lubbock.

Question—I am taking on-the-job training under the Korean GI bill. I also would like to enroll in a correspondence course on the side, to study a subject related to my job training. Will VA pay for the course?

Answer—The law prohibits VA from paying you an additional amount of money to cover the cost of your correspondence course. It can only pay the required allowance for your on-the-job training.

Q—My national service life insurance term policy has lapsed. I want to reinstate it and, at the same time, convert to a permanent plan. What payments will have to make to the VA?

A—You will be required to pay one monthly premium at the term rate, and your first regular premium at the permanent plan rate. The latter may be either a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payment.

Q—I am a World War II veteran receiving monthly pension payments from VA. My uncle recently died, leaving me an inheritance of some shares of stock. Are the stock proceeds considered as income, in figuring my annual income ceiling?

A—Proceeds of the stock will not be considered as income until they are converted into cash.

Q—As a result of my service in World War II, I am receiving monthly disability compensation payments. Would it be possible for VA to deduct the amount of my GI insurance premiums from my compensation, so I won't have to bother about making out a check every month?

A—Yes. Your compensation payments, however, must be large enough to take care of your premium payments each month.

Q—I am taking Korean GI farm training. My school has just informed me that it has extended the length of the course beyond that which has been approved by VA. Will I get GI allowance payments for the extension?

A—No. GI allowances, under the law, may not be authorized for extensions beyond the period required to complete your approved training program.

four miles of diversion construction; 25 farm ponds; 40 acres of sprinkler irrigation system (two systems); 114 acres of border irrigation systems; 1,208 acres of furrow irrigation systems; 741 acres of improved water application; 716 acres of irrigation water management.

Building and Repairing in Hamlin Area More Favorable Now, Says Lumberman

Families in the Hamlin area desiring to build a new home or modernize an older one this year will find conditions more favorable than at any time in many months, according to Paul Bryan, local retail lumber dealer and member of the public affairs committee of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association.

"Building costs have become stabilized, time payment loans can be obtained on the most attractive terms ever offered, and the market offers a greater variety of good materials than ever before," Bryan said.

"In addition, the number of skilled workmen is at an all-time peak, which means that building work can be started and completed sooner and better quality of work is assured. Materials of all kinds are available on short notice."

"Buyers who take advantage of government insured or guaranteed mortgage loans to purchase new homes will find monthly payments at an all-time low because more time is allowed for repayment of the principal, and down payments are the lowest ever offered."

"Home repairs and improvements can be paid for over a period as long as 36 months, and no down payment is required in many cases."

"Mortgage funds currently are plentiful, although further expan-

sion in the high building rate experienced during the past year might bring back the shortages experienced some months ago. However, lumber dealers and other building industry organizations are cooperating to keep funds flowing steadily, even in smaller communities where shortages always appear first."

GINNING IMPROVES.

Last year 1,740 cotton gins were active in Texas. Recent estimates place a value of \$147,445,000 on these gins. Less than half of one per cent of all the cotton ginned annually in the state is docked by buyers because of rough preparation. Quality processing is the result of good equipment and plant operation and maintenance.

Red Cross chapters during 1953, 54 helped 143,000 servicemen and their families each month.

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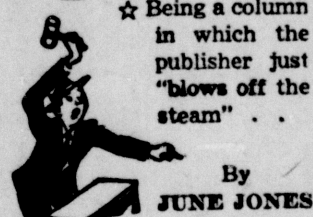
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MRS. M. C. WILSON, former long-time resident of Hamlin, in renewing her subscription to Your Home Town Paper for another year, wrote these lines to us first of the week:

"We had a nice rain here last night (Saturday) and a lovely day today. Oh, how I dread these sand-storms out here, but we have had some pretty bad ones in Hamlin the past years.

"It's wonderful about the new paved street program there. Mr. Wilson and I wished for them for years for Hamlin. Best regards to everyone."

ONE HAMLIN MAN is just now getting around to putting on some of his Christmas gift remembrances. But, apparently he was not too well pleased, because his remarks went like:

For Christmas she sent me
Green socks and red ties;
Her heart's in the right place,
But where are her eyes?

A PRIM LITTLE LADY of Anson was telling a friend about her awful consternation upon finding two empty whiskey bottles in her garbage can.

"You can imagine my embarrassment," she said. "I got them out fast, because I didn't want the garbage man to think I drank."

"What did you do with them," asked her Hamlin friend.

"Well, the Methodist preacher lives next door," was the reply. "So I put them in his can. Everybody knows he doesn't drink."

FOXTAIL JOHNSON writes an interesting philosophical column in the Texas Sheep and Goat Raiser, magazine published at San Angelo. Among the squibs in the current issue are these:

Sure, every young man and woman oughta go to college. It's their last chance for a high school education.

A neighbor is a feller that lives down the road and shells out to the same tax collectors.

Nixon hopes to be nominated for president in 1956 if like don't run. And I hope to get a street lightin' franchise for Hardscrapple whenever the sun stops risin' in the mornin'.

A picture was showed in Beaver Slide last week that was advertised as unfit for children. But I didn't go. I'm waiting for a picture that's unfit for grown-ups.

Seems like a feller's never too old to learn about some fancy kind of devilment he missed when he was young.

I been invited to join a bird watchin' society, and I'm gonna accept soon as some of my neighbors moves away and I don't have to watch my chickens so close.

Ty wife says I'm so lazy and wasteful that if somebody left me a lotta money I'd throw it to the birds. But I wouldn't. I'd hire a boy to throw it.

Spring plantin' season's right on us, and fishin' season starts next June. Everybody out this way is gonna start gettin' his plantin' machinery in shape soon as he overhauls his fishin' tackle.

THOSE GUYS working for utilities company evidently get to thinking in terms of their commodities, as this conversation between Steve Stephens and Ned Moore will prove:

"Howdy, BULB. WIRE you here at the time of day?"

"WATT is it to you?"

"Well, the CURRENT rumor is that if you don't SWITCH your habits and stop coming INSULATE the boss is really going to SOCKET to you and either DIRECT you to the nearest OUTLET or CONDENSE your paycheck."

"Well now, podner, that sure is ELECTRIFYING news and comes as quite a SHOCK but the truth is, my wife called and asked me to METER, and if FUSE don't mind I'll PLUG along."

AFTER ALL, a lady has a right to expect some things as a matter of course.

One Hamlin woman let this be known just before Christmas with these remarks:

"Are you planning to hang any mistletoe in your house during the holidays, Sarah?" asked a friend.

Sarah sniffed in disgust. "I should say not! I got too much pride to advertise for ordinary courtesies a lady's got the right to expect."



SOMETHING IS BOUND TO BE DONE on the Hamlin City Park project as a result of a gathering a few days ago of the group pictured above, who met to discuss and plan beautification and equipment additions to the city's playground in Southwest Hamlin. Shown in the picture are representatives of women's club and civic organizations: Mrs. LaFoy Paterson, representing the Friendship Home Demonstration Club; Mmes. Jo Riddle, E. M. Wilson, Winnie Day and Florence Cowan, Business and Professional Women's Club; Mrs. Lennie Cochran, Firemen's Auxiliary; Mmes. E. J. Hawkins and Noel Weaver, Fifty-Two Study Club; Mmes. George Poe and Jerry Waggoner, Beta Sigma Phi; Mmes. Stanley Carmichael and J. D. Ferguson, Woman's Literary Club; Mmes. C. C. Prater and F. B. Moore Jr., Hamlin Garden Club; Reba Roland and Rodney Spaulding, high school students; and H. L. Williams, sponsor, Student Council; Lee Hastings, Volunteer Fire Department; Connie O'Neal, Hamlin Baseball Club; D. D. Shelburne and Onis Crawford, Chamber of Commerce; W. T. Johnson, Lions Club; Weldon Johnson, Rotary Club; I. R. Huchingson, Hamlin Schools; E. M. Borden, Roy Dunlap, city engineer; and Willard Jones, mayor. The meeting was held in the city hall on call of Mayor Jones.

Winter Concert Set Thursday By 50-Piece Pied Piper Band

Marches, Popular Numbers, Vocals To Be Featured

Hamlin High School's 50-piece Pied Piper Band will be presented in its first winter concert at the high school auditorium next Thursday evening, February 17, at 8:00 o'clock. The musical organization is under the direction of Jess Parrish.

The green-and-white uniformed band, which has been outstanding for its performances for several years, will present an assortment of numbers, designed to please young and old alike, band officials declare. Featured soloists will be Bobby Norton, trombonist, and Gene Steele, trumpeter.

Also vocal numbers will be offered by the Starlight Sisters and Little Twinkle.

As this will not be the final classical concert for the band, the assortment of music will be wide for entertainment alone. Stirring marches, novelty numbers, solos and popular selections will be featured on the program.

A small admission fee will be charged for the concert, and proceeds will be used to purchase additional equipment needed by the band, the director declares.

Trees for Windbreak Plantings Available To Area Farmers

Hamlin area people are advised that trees for planting windbreaks are available again this year to Texas farm and ranch families. They are available through the Texas Forest Service. Orders must be in by March 1.

Species available include Austrian pine, Chinese elm, Osage orange, red cedar, shortleaf pine, sycamore and Russian olive. The Chinese elm is not recommended for this area because it is subject to cotton root rot.

Anyone interested should contact Bill Lehmberg, county agent, and secure a blank form on which to place his order.

Cost of the seedling trees is \$1.50 per 100 trees.

Duane Brown Officer In U. of T. Fraternity

William Duane Brown, University of Texas student from Hamlin, is the new treasurer of Alpha Chi Sigma, professional chemistry fraternity, according to a release from Austin to The Herald.

Brown, a graduate student, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Brown.



NEW VET'S LAND HEAD—Clark Diebel of the state auditor's office staff (above) has been named executive secretary of the Texas Veterans Land Board to succeed Lawrence C. Jackson, resigned.

New Car Licenses Go On Sale in City Today

Car and truck license plates for 1955 will be placed on sale in Hamlin today (Friday). It was announced Wednesday by Jim H. King, deputy tax collector, whose offices are at King Insurance Agency.

Passenger car plates will be numbered from CH-2500 through CH-4200, King says. The plates must be issued in the order they come, and no special numbers will be reserved this year. Price of the tags is the same as last year.

Motorists are urged to present last year's license receipt and a copy of the title.

Examinations This Week Show Better Health in Schools

Considerable improvement in the general condition of the teeth and gums of children of the Hamlin School was noted this week in the examinations made by Drs. J. W. McCrary and W. S. Seals, dentists, they reported.

The examinations, conducted as part of the observance of National Children's Dental Health Week under sponsorship of the American Dental Association, were locally under auspices of the Fifty-Two Study Club and Hamlin Literary Club. Members of the clubs were assisting the dentists and teachers in the campaign.

Some 435 children in the primary, elementary and junior high schools were examined Monday and Tuesday, and examinations of the high school student were scheduled Thursday and Friday of this week.

Drs. McCrary and Seals reported that a decided improvement in the dental and physical condition of most students was apparent since the last examinations two years ago. Much of the improvement probably was due to the work of the school nurse among the students, school authorities believed.

Correct your own mistakes by avoiding those of others.

Control Measures For Grain Pests Proposed by Agent

Hamlin area producers are concerned at reported appearance of small grain insects in some sections of the country, and the following release from County Agent Bill Lehmberg is timely:

When does it pay to spray for small grain insects? That's a common question among farmers now since many small grain pests—green bugs, winter grain mites and brown wheat mites—are on the move.

An insect count will give the insect population. A minimum of five counts consisting of one running foot each should be made at random diagonally across the field.

Control measures against greenbugs in fall-seeded grain are warranted when 100 or more are counted per linear foot, advises Lehmberg.

In spring-seeded grain an average population of 25 to 50 greenbugs may warrant chemical control.

Use one-fourth to one-half pound of actual parathion in emulsion form to the acre. If the emulsion concentrate contains two pounds actual parathion per gallon, apply at a rate of one to two pints per acre in at least two gallons of water. Application should be made when the temperature is above 50 degrees.

Note of Caution: Parathion is poisonous and should be handled with care. Livestock should not be permitted to graze grain for 21 days after being treated with parathion.

Hereford Man to Lead In Methodist Revival

Definite date for the spring revival meeting at the First Methodist Church has not been set, declares the pastor, Rev. Darris L. Egger, but it probably will be about the middle of March.

Evangelist for the campaign will be Rev. S. M. Dunnam of Hereford, an outstanding speaker from the Panhandle section of Texas, the pastor says.

Two-County Singing Set Sunday in Hamlin

Singers and song lovers of the Hamlin area are notified that the Jones and Fisher County singing convention meets at Snyder Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.

Foursquare Gospel Church, at the corner of Southwest First Street and Southwest Avenue D will be the scene of the gathering. The public is invited.



ANOTHER IN THE SERIES of Mystery Farm Pictures being run by The Herald is shown above. First person, other than the owner and his family, to correctly identify the view will be given a one-year subscription to Your Home Town Paper. In order to give readers of the paper living on the rural routes an equal chance at the identifying, no answers will be accepted before 1:00 p. m. Friday, either in person or telephoning to the paper office. The original aerial picture will be presented to the owner by The Herald.

Swimming Pool Project in Hamlin Being Promoted



HOUSE VET LAND PROBERS—Representative Joe Burkett Jr. (right) was named chairman of the House committee investigating veterans' land program. Representative W. F. Spilman (left) of McAllen, was made vice chairman at the organization meeting. Burkett is from Kerrville.

Officers Elected For Recreation Committee of Area

Definite steps toward securing a swimming pool and recreation center for Hamlin were being made this week with the organization of a working unit dedicated to that end.

Officers for a community recreation committee were named at a second get-together of interested people Wednesday morning at the Chamber of Commerce office. Named were: Delma Shelburne, president; Roy Dunlap, vice president; Mrs. R. D. Moore, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. George Poe, publicity director.

First meeting of the swimming pool minded group was held last Thursday morning at the CO offices, when some proposals for the pool and a recreation center were discussed by representatives of women's clubs and civic organizations. Shelburne at that time presided and heard various plans for the projects. Attendees were asked to meet with their respective groups and get the organizations' reactions.

Wednesday morning's meeting reflected keen interest and enthusiasm for the swimming pool.

Definite plans for the project, methods of financing it and other pertinent facts will be presented at a third meeting of officials of the group next Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

Games to Highlight Nienda Meet Tonight

Games will be featured at the regular Friday night community gathering this (Friday) evening at the Nienda community center, leaders announce. Festivities will get underway at 7:30 o'clock.

Attendees will bring potato chips and fritos, leaders say, and drinks will be available at the snack bar.

MRS. POE BREAKS HIP.

Mrs. W. J. Poe, pioneer Hamlin resident, who lives at the corner of West Lake Drive and Avenue D, Tuesday afternoon sustained a broken hip when she fell on the sidewalk near the R. C. McCurdy home on Southwest Avenue B. After first aid treatment at the Hamlin Memorial Hospital she was moved Wednesday to Hendrick Memorial Hospital at Abilene, where she was due to undergo surgery Thursday.

Hog Poisoner Bashes Hopes of Hamlin FFA Boy for Winnings at County Show

Charles Nall is a down-in-the-dumps member of the Hamlin chapter of Future Farmers of America today!

After weeks and weeks of personal attention to a couple of fine specimens of hog flesh, which he was priming for entry in the annual Jones County Club Boys' Livestock Show at Anson on February 26, his hopes were bashed last week when the two suddenly went to "hog heaven."

And, because their going was sort of mysterious and sudden, Charles and his vocational agriculture teacher, Harold V. Eades, loaded one of the animals in a pick-up and carried him to Rotan to a veterinarian for examination.

Dr. Barry Allan examined the animal and declared it was his belief that the animal had been poisoned.

Investigation was being made this week by Charles and other members of the FFA, all of whom were quite concerned about the sudden elimination of the fine animals from the show.

The boy had spent lots of time and efforts in getting his Duroc gilt and cross-bred Duroc and Hampshire barrow ready for the show. They were more than ordinary hogs—they were his project for the year in FFA work at school; they had special names,

Who's New This Week

Two new citizens were recorded at Hamlin Memorial Hospital since last week's report in The Herald. Both girls, they are:

A girl for Mr. and Mrs. Rita Ferguson of Hamlin, who arrived February 4 at 3:10 p. m. Weighing seven pounds six ounces, the little miss has been named Joy Elsie.

A girls for Mr. and Mrs. Rita Villarreal of Hamlin was born February 7 at 11:45 a. m. Tipping the scales beam at six pounds 13 ounces, the name Rosa Maria has been given the little senorita.

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WILL AMERICA SERVICE THE NEW POPULATION?

Problem of providing school facilities as well as numerous community necessities and luxuries for a growing population is not only a local one for the Hamlin area, but for the state and nation as well.

The Census Bureau estimated recently that the civilian population of the United States had already passed the 159,000,000 mark and that, counting Americans in the armed forces, the total was already well above the 162,000,000 figure.

The civilian figure, as of July 1, was set at 159,084,000. This compares with the figure of 149,634,000 as of 1950. In other words, there has been a 10,000,000 population gain in the United States since the 1950 census, or a rate of growth of about 2,500,000 a year.

It is estimated there are about 1,350,000 men and women in the Armed services, so the total U. S. population as of July 1 was almost 162,500,000.

The rapidly increasing population of the

United States is one of the primary reasons why the U. S. economy should continue to move forward. A growing country is always the scene of an expanding market, and possible expanded production. It is estimated that the market in this country will expand rapidly some time around 1960, when the crop of World War II babies begins to get out of school, and marry and form families.

There was a boom in baby production during World War II years, and thus the increase in families starting about 1960 will be unusually large. The latest population report shows that the country is experiencing a very healthy growth and that, if annual income continues to rise the next decade or two, there will be a far greater demand for goods, and, therefore, ample room for new industry and services in years to come than there is today.

In other words, the day of opportunity has not passed, and there are many opportunities ahead for those who want to go after them.

A Noteworthy Birthday

We salute the Boy Scouts of America on its forty-fifth birthday, now being observed during Boy Scout Week, February 6 to 12.

Since its founding in 1910 the organization has enriched the lives of over 22,750,000 boys and adult leaders. Truly Scouting represents a living cross section of American life.

Boys of every race, religion and economic background are attracted to Scouting. Today the Boy Scouts of America has 2,700,000 boys in its ranks. Add to that impressive figure the 960,000 adults of varied character who give generously of their time and talents to serve as leaders of units, scout leaders and in many other capacities. There is hardly an American family that has not felt its influence.

Dr. Arthur A. Schuck, the chief Scout executive, a leader in the organization since 1913, feels that it is of vital importance to train the boys of today to be ready for positions of leadership as they grow to manhood. "Strong character, participating citizenship and physical fitness," he says, "are needs of our boys and young men who are served by the program of Scouting in cooperation with the home, the school, the church, and all other community institutions actively interested in training our future citizens."

Scouting's purpose, stated in the federal charter granted by Congress in 1916, is to promote the "ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in Scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance and kindred virtues."

Every member of the nation's 95,000 Scouting units is indeed "having some kind of experience that is adding to his equipment to meet the problems of adult life."

It is that training that we heartily endorse on this noteworthy birthday.

Help Wanted

Help me, O Lord, to remember that three feet make one yard, sixteen ounces one pound, four quarts one gallon, and sixty minutes one hour. Help me to do business on the square. Make me sympathetic with the fellow who has broken in the struggle. Keep me from taking unfair advantage of the weak, or from selling my self-respect for a profit.

Blind my eyes to the petty faults of others, but reveal to me my own.

And when comes the sound of low music, the scent of sweet flowers and the crunch of footsteps on the gravel, make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple: "Here lies a man . . . one who was of service to others."

Great opportunities come to all, but many do not know they have met them. The only preparation to take advantage of them is simple fidelity to what each day brings.—A. E. Dunning.

RECALLING Other Years

★ Being news items taken from old files of Your Home Town Newspaper The Herald

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

From the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated February 8, 1935, the following news items of interest of 20 years ago are reproduced:

Hamlin's streets are being given a coating of caliche with funds from the relief program of the government. Among streets slated to receive the work are Jackson, Hope, Union and Alamo Avenues.

Unusual interest has been created this week in Hamlin by the bringing in of the Merry Brothers & Perini well on the E. Howard place, 14 miles west of Hamlin. The well extends the field some six miles west of previous production.

Guy McNeal, formerly manager of the Texas Cement Plaster Company (now Celotex) mill at Hamlin, now of El Paso, was seriously injured in a car wreck Saturday night near Stamford.

A Valentine motif was used for a party given by the Blue Bird Club Tuesday by Mrs. Mac Brundage. Attendees were Mmes. John Ed Day, Joe Culbertson, Paul A. Fowler, Elmer Feagan, Bob Low, G. H. Tumlin, O. L. Henry, Milton Wilson, and Mrs. Holly Toler of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Johnson returned last week from Big Spring, where they visited his father, who is 81 years old.

TEN YEARS AGO.

News items of interest in the Hamlin community 10 years ago included the following, reproduced from the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated February 9, 1945:

Sunday afternoon and supper guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gregory were Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Callaway of Merkel and Mrs. T. C. Gregory and daughter, Gladys, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Scott of Nienda, Corporal J. E. Scarborough of Camp Wolters, and Mrs. J. E. Scarborough and Maris Gregory of Dallas.

Nightwatchman C. R. Branscum is back from a Rotan hospital after an attack of pneumonia.

Waste paper collections conducted through the Hamlin schools for the war effort totaled more than four tons, according to Logan Smith, high school principal.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Pitcock have received word that their son, Private Roger F. Pitcock, had been slightly wounded in war action in Belgium.

"Music for Millions," featuring Margaret O'Brien, was featured at the State Theater.

Clay Bailey, radar man with the Navy, is home on a short visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bailey.

FIVE YEARS AGO.

Among items of news interest in the community five years ago were the following, reprinted from the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated March 10, 1950:

Bids on construction of an 11-room addition to Hamlin Memorial Hospital, which will accommodate 20 more patients, will be let Saturday by the hospital board of directors.

City election has been set for Saturday April 4. Terms of Arlie Cassle, Clyde Huff and B. M. Brundage will expire, but they are all expected to seek reelection. Mayor Holly Toler, whose term also expires, has said definitely that he will not seek the office again.

Forty-two members of the Future Farmers of America chapter at Hamlin High School went to the Fat Stock Show at Fort Worth last week-end.

Mrs. Fed Britton and sister, Mrs. B. E. Nixon, spent last week-end visiting her ranch at Whiteface. They also visited their brother, Bill Hudson, and family at Levelland.

ONE YEAR AGO.

Among items of interest in the community a year ago were the following, reproduced from the issue of The Hamlin Herald dated February 12, 1954:

Cotton growers of Jones County were allocated 16,000 additional cotton acre in new allotments announced this week from Washington. Growers of the area, through their congressmen, had asked for greater allotments due to the failure of crops last year due to the drought.

A 72-year-old man, a nine-month-old baby and a 12-year-old girl died in two fires in the Hamlin area within two days. The man was R. N. Shelton, who died in flames that destroyed his home in Northwest Hamlin Thursday morning. Bobby Don Blevins and Helen Blevins died in a fire that destroyed their home on the Charlie Adams place, six miles east of Hamlin Wednesday morning.

Strong Market Continues to Wait for Well Finished Livestock at Fort Worth

Well finished cattle found an active, strong market in Fort Worth Monday, declares Ted Gouldy, special market reporter for The Herald, in his weekly release, which continues: Some sales were higher than last week. Choice slaughter steers brought up to \$25, and medium grades sold at around \$20.

Cows and bulls were mostly steady. Good young beef cows brought up to \$13. Bulls sold mostly at \$14-down, but some individuals sold above \$14.

Calves were strong with some spots higher. A few choice slaughter calves sold at \$19.50 to \$20.

Stockers and feeders continue in good demand and not enough high quality kind to supply the needs of order buyers. About three loads of good and choice feeder steers sold at \$21.50. Stocker calves were in small supply, with a few good steer calves selling at \$21.

Good and choice beef steers sold from \$21 to \$25, and good fed heifers brought up to \$23.50. Lower grade butcher cattle sold from \$13 to \$20.

Fat cows drew \$11 to \$13, and canners and cutters cashed at \$7 to \$10. Shelly canners sold around \$7. Bull sold mostly at \$10 to \$14 with some individuals higher.

Good and choice slaughter calves brought from \$16 to \$19. A few choice calves cashed at \$19.50 to \$20. Plain and medium kinds sold from \$11 to \$15, and rannahs and culls brought mostly \$9 to \$10.

Medium and good stocker and feeder steers sold from \$14 to \$20, some choice feeders at \$21.50. Some thin, medium quality stocker cows sold from \$9 to \$10. Stocker steer calves were in small supply, and a few medium to good kinds sold from \$14 to \$21.

Top butcher hogs sold at \$18.25 at Fort Worth Monday. This was fully 50 cents higher than last week. Overweight butchers and less desirable kinds sold from \$15.50 to \$18. Sows were steady to 50 cents higher and sold at \$13.50 to \$16.

A generally steady trade prevailed on most classes of sheep and lambs at Fort Worth. Some light weight, clipped lambs were

higher. Feeder lambs were fairly steady. Good, woolled feeders, which demand the best prices, were not present.

Choice, woolled slaughter lambs brought \$21, and choice, shorn lambs cashed at \$18.50 to \$20. The higher price was for fall shorn lambs. A few plain kinds of lambs drew \$15 to \$17.

High quality feeder lambs were absent. Plain to medium feeders sold from \$16 to \$18.50, the latter price for medium woolled feeders.

Other classes of sheep were scarce. Fat ewes were quoted at \$7 to \$8.50, old bucks at \$4 to \$5 and yearlings at \$14 to \$16.

New Bond Scheme of Chain Letters Called Postal Law Violation

Numbers of Hamlin area people, who apparently were participating in the latest chain letter craze in which U. S. government bonds are being used as awards in the deal, were warned this week by Postmaster Perry Sparks that the scheme is a flagrant violation of law.

That the bond plan was reaching Hamlin was revealed several days ago when a recipient of a chain letter asked Sparks about the legality of the plan.

Sparks received a bulletin from Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield emphasizing the lottery and postal law violations by the chain letter scheme.

FARM PRICES DECLINE.

Prices of farm land in Texas fell two per cent in the four-month period ending November 1, 1954. This word comes from the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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POSTER BOY—James Clark Allen Jr., five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allen of Tyler, has been designated by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis as the 1955 March of Dimes Poster Boy. James, who was stricken with polio when he was two years old, now walks with the aid of a hip brace and two crutches.

CURTAIN CARE.

Fragile curtains can be kept dainty by frequent washings in lukewarm soap suds and rinses. If they're dryer-dried with temperature control set at "low," they'll come out soft and fluffy.

Ralph Gonzales of Hamlin Indicted on Two Counts by Jury

Ralph Gonzales, 38-year-old Latin-American farm worker of Hamlin, was named in two true bills when the Jones County grand jury of the 104th District Court reported to District Judge Owen Thomas Tuesday at Anson.

He was indicted on a charge of stealing a \$51 hog from A. E. McCarty on December 22. He also was indicted on a charge of burglarizing Guy Steen on January 6. Gonzales was in the Jones County jail.

The Gonzales family had been living on the Bristow place east of Hamlin and working for Ralph Riddle and son. The house which his family occupied burned in late December, and all their possessions were destroyed.

FIRST CONSIDERATION.

A Columbus, Ohio, judge ruled that in divorce cases the television set goes to the parent who gets custody of the children.

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The Herald's Page for Women



New Officers Elected at Meeting of Woman's Literary Club in Toler Home

New officers for next club year were elected when members of the Woman's Literary Club met last week in the home of Mrs. Holly Toler, 514 West Lake Drive, with Mrs. W. T. Johnson as hostess.

New officers are: Mrs. Clyde Grice, president; Mrs. M. T. York, first vice president; Mrs. Arlie Castle, second vice president; Mrs. W. T. Johnson, recording secretary; Mrs. Richard Young, recording secretary; Mrs. R. D. Moore, treasurer; Mrs. Weldon Johnson, parliamentarian; Mrs. F. C. Briscoe, critic; Mrs. Virgil

Steele, reporter; Mrs. H. O. Castle, librarian.

For the program J. P. (Pat) Woods, decorator for Waldrop's in Abilene, spoke on "Creative Home Decorating." Mrs. Carl Heinlen was director for the meeting, and introduced Woods.

Mrs. Weldon Johnson, the president, presided for a business session. Mrs. John D. Ferguson was elected to represent the club on the board for the community park improvement project. Mrs. Tate May made an appeal from the Americanism committee for beads, feathers and clothes to send to the Indian reservation at Livingston. The club voted to subscribe to the school calendar being prepared by the senior class of Hamlin High School.

Mrs. Darris Egger was welcomed as a new member of the club. Guests at the gathering were Mrs. Hubert Toler of Abilene and Mrs. Brad Rowland Jr. of Hamlin.

Mrs. F. M. Crow Sees Three New Grandsons

Mrs. F. M. Crow returned home last week-end from a three-week visit with her sons and families. Wilson and family of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Maurice and family of Gadsden, Alabama.

She saw her three grandsons for the first time on this trip, Philip, age two, and Robin, age two months, of Little Rock, and James Maurice II, who arrived January 18 at Gadsden.

Hamlin Memorial Hospital

Patients admitted to the Hamlin Memorial Hospital since last week's report in The Herald have included: Claude Gillum, medical, February 2; Mrs. A. E. Johnson, medical, February 2; Elizabeth Johnson, medical, February 2; J. P. Morrison, medical, February 24; Betsy Maberry of McCaulley, medical, February 2; Mae James, medical, February 3; Richard Herring Jr. of Stamford, medical, February 2; Mrs. R. T. Whitehead of Blackwell, medical, February 3; Richie Smith, medical, February 4; W. E. Stevenson of McCaulley, medical, February 4; Raymond Perkins of Sylvester, medical, February 6; Mrs. W. G. Ferguson, ob., February 4; Terry Hallmark of Stamford, surgery, February 6; Jackie Warner, medical, February 7; Mrs. Jose Villareal, ob., February 7; Nancy Kay Wall of Sylvester, medical, February 7; Mrs. E. J. Anderson, medical, February 7; Mrs. W. C. Moore Sr., medical, February 8; James Josey, medical, February 8; Mrs. Filepe Rameriz, medical, February 7.

Patients Dismissed—Mrs. E. J. Lakey, February 7; Mrs. Paul Galey, February 8; Mrs. Jack Bond, February 1; Mrs. Ira Clements, February 4; Mrs. L. D. Odum of Aspermont, February 1; Tony Kelly, February 4; Jackie Warner, February 3; Mrs. I. M. Roberts of Sylvester, February 5; Denise Russell, February 3; Dr. Joe McCrory, February 1; Mrs. G. E. Wells, February 3; I. R. Witt, February 1; Mrs. J. L. Warner, February 3; Mrs. J. H. Lawlis of Sylvester, February 6; Mrs. R. C. Ritchie, February 5; Mrs. J. A. Williams, February 4; Lonnie Ball of Aspermont, February 5; J. H. Pace, February 4; Claude Gillum, February 4; Mrs. A. E. Johnson, February 7; Elizabeth Johnson, February 5; Richard Herring of Stamford, February 5; Richie Smith, February 7; W. E. Stevenson of McCaulley, February 5; Mrs. W. G. Ferguson, February 8.

MEAT REFRESHER.

Stuff a square lamb shoulder roast with a bread crumb stuffing to which chopped mint leaves are added. Go slow on the mint, however. A tablespoon of the minced leaves will be plenty for a stuffing made from about eight slices of bread.



SEVERAL NEW MEMBERS were installed in special ceremonies at the Hamlin High School last Thursday into the Hamlin chapter of the National Honor Society, under direction of Mrs. Charles Scott, sponsor. The entire present membership is pictured above. They are (reading from left to right): Front row—Judy Brannon, Barbara Durham, Peggy Briscoe, Laveta French, Alta Lois Rodgers, Amanda Freeman; second row—Carolyn Pace, Betty Dillard, Joyce Bigham, Reba Roland, Mrs. Charles Scott; third row—Jackie Drummond, Paige Boize, Dennis Johnson and Billy Kelly.

Samuella Ruth Cavitt And J. E. Scarborough Married at Carlsbad.

Samuella Ruth Cavitt became the bride of J. E. Scarborough in a single ring ceremony performed at Carlsbad, New Mexico, Saturday, January 15, according to a release to The Herald.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cavitt, is a 1953 graduate of Hamlin High School, and was a student nurse at Hendrick Memorial Hospital School of Nursing at Abilene at the time of her marriage.

The bridegroom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sharp of Rotan, is a graduate of Hamlin High School and Hardin-Simmons University at Abilene. He also served in the U. S. Army and received his discharge in March, 1954.

For her wedding Samuella chose a navy linen dress with fitted torso and full skirt, accented with rhinestones and white collar. Her accessories were navy and white. The couple is living in Borger, where he is employed in the research department of the synthetic rubber plant there.

Chili Supper Planned For Tuesday Night by McCaulley Women

A chili supper was planned by members of the McCaulley Home Demonstration Club when they met Thursday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Ray Maberry.

The public is cordially invited to the school lunch room Tuesday evening, February 15, at 6:30 for the supper. Plates for children under 12 years of age will be 50 cents, and plates for adults will be \$1.

Games will follow the supper. You will enjoy the home-cooked food and the entertainment, say leaders of the club. Mrs. Maberry gave a demonstration on cooking pot roasts and served some, with pound cake and coffee to Mrs. Hallie McFatter, a visitor, and the following members: Mmes. Milliner, Jerry Maberry, A. G. Smith, Glenn Henderson, Bill Fancher, Ted Abbott, Della Fancher, Luther Maberry, C. A. McHone and Louis Boyd. The club adjourned to meet February 14 with Mrs. Della Fancher.

NURSERY VAPORIZER

An electric vaporizer for the nursery now has a small clown's head on the screw-on top designed to amuse the child who is ill. The patented safety features are said to include an automatic shut-off, a fool-proof locking device which prevents opening until the electrical connection is broken, and a separate chamber for medication to permit a uniform flow of vapor.

New Camp Fire Girls Council to Be Named

Election of new board of directors and officers for the Hamlin council of the Camp Fire Girls will feature the business session of the council members when they gather next Thursday evening, February 17, at 7:30 o'clock at the Camp Fire Girls hut in West Hamlin. The council comprises all the adult membership of the Camp Fire Girls of Hamlin.

The group will approve the by-laws for the council, elect the board of directors and officers and name the chairman of the group leaders' association and the regional representative.

All members were urged to remember the gathering, according to C. L. Howard, council chairman.

Robin's Kin Bluebirds Make Gift Valentines

Valentines for patients in the hospital was the project for members of the Robin's Kin group of Bluebirds when they met Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock at the Camp Fire Girls hut in West Hamlin.

Mrs. Teague served refreshments to the group. The meeting was closed by the girls singing "Sing Your Way Home."

Venus Probably Wore Wrong Shoes

Venus de Milo, long regarded as the perfect beauty, isn't, says Dr. Sidney R. Bob of Los Angeles. He says she has a hammer toe on her right foot.

Dr. Bob, after inspecting the famed statue during a European tour, told the California Association of Chiropodists:

"Female vanity hasn't changed much since the days of the ancient Greeks. I suspect the model for the goddess, like her modern counterparts, wore the wrong shoes because she thought they flattered her feet."

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Another ODDS AND ENDS SALE at the Book Shop!

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Bride-to-Be of Hamlin Man Honored At Gift Tea at Rotan Home Thursday

A gift tea, honoring Dorothy Neal, bride-elect of Roy Riley of Hamlin, was hosted in the home of Mrs. Dono Darden at Rotan last Thursday, with calling hours from 3:00 to 5:00 o'clock.

Miss Neal is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Neal of Rotan. Riley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Kennedy of Hamlin. Wedding of the two will be March 6 in the Neal home at Rotan.

Hostesses with Mrs. Darden were Mmes. Joe Henry, C. C. Carter, Norman Carlton, W. H. McCright, Will Hargrove, Carl Singley, Grover Carter, Hugh Huckabee, Hollis Swearingin, and Misses Jo Dell Shipp, Patsy Ashton and Emonia Fairry.

The door was opened by the Dardens' young daughter, Nancy. Mrs. Darden headed the receiving group, which included the honoree and mothers of the betrothed couple and the bride-elect's sister, Loretta Neal.

Miss Neal wore a tulle-trousseau frock of pink taffeta, with a corsage of white carnations.

Guests were registered by Margaret Gruben. Lanny Posey and Carol Hargrove were at the tea.

VISIT FROM LUBBOCK.

Mrs. Ann McBride and Mrs. Ira Williams of Lubbock have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Childers. Mrs. McBride is a sister of Mrs. Childers.

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China Situation Is Delicate, But All-Out War Not Expected, Says Congressman

The China situation is discussed at length in this week's release of "Washington: As It Looks from Here," by Congressman Omar Burleson. His regular weekly news letter follows:

Official position in Washington is that Red China will not fight. Although no one could be certain on this point, this much can be borne in mind to support that position.

Russia is not likely to get herself involved in a war on account of China. Communist China has no navy to speak of; her air force, except for fighter planes, is not strong enough for a sustained offensive; she has only a few developed resources; little oil and no industry to speak of. Human backs are the main means of transportation in many areas. An army and an air force, with no real industry to support them, lack staying power.

Be this as it may, the Chinese have the largest army in Asia and can be used to intimidate weaker nations in Southeast Asia. In fact, it has paid her big dividends thus far.

The Communists began the fight in Korea under the impression that the United States would not enter the war against them. President Eisenhower and the Congress have now removed any such doubt regarding Formosa. I offered an amendment to the president's request that Congress back up his

policy, stating that this action should not set a precedent which would lead either people in this country or overseas to think that the president had to take such action every time an emergency occurred.

It is my personal belief that the Chinese Communists have their eyes more on Southeast Asia than on Formosa, and that they may be throwing up a smoke screen as a diversionary tactic.

The existing situation is sensitive, to say the least, and there is no need to speculate on what may happen. The Chinese Communists have tasted victory in several instances, which has raised their prestige in Asia and has caused the Communist leaders to become pretty drunk with power. This is a dangerous thing, and particularly for the Oriental mind, which could result in the worst.

Employment Practices.—According to persons who have studied the trends in employment practices, men over 40 or 45 years of age are finding it difficult to find employment. In the case of women, the age is around 35 or even younger.

The practice is said to grow out of the employers' desire to keep down their pension liability, which is increased when older workers are taken on.

On the other hand, the ban against hiring workers of 35 to 45 years of age will mean that in a short time fewer workers will be supporting a growing lot of jobless citizens, either through taxes or by direct contributions. The answer may lie in making private pension and welfare programs more flexible than they are at present. This problem may never become acute in our area, but of course, it is acute to the individual when it happens to him.

Reserve Program.—With the president's program for a four-year extension of the draft, he has proposed an enlarged reserve. Much will be heard about the reserve program in the coming months. In brief, the general plan will allow boys 17 to 19 years of age to volunteer for six months' basic training, to be followed by nine and one-half years' participation in the military reserve. In connection with this program, the president made a prediction that we must face the possibility of a 50-year period of "cold war."

This has a most pessimistic sound, but it should have been obvious to all of us for several years past that we are probably in a very long period of high tension, with no reasonable expectation that the world, with all the upheavals taking place, can soon settle down to the peaceful status we used to know.

I recently heard the definition of a diplomat: "A diplomat is a man who always has problems for good solutions." An analogy to this definition is the man in government who is always looking for a way not to do something rather than a way to get something done.



THE MEN WHO WERE THERE REMEMBER—Robert E. Ford of the Dallas Associated Press was a lieutenant on Iwo Jima, that "raw patch of ground the men who were there still remember." On the 10th anniversary of the famed battle, which will be Sunday, Ford wrote a moving account of events as they were then. Above (left) he is shown being congratulated by Admiral Chester A. Nimitz after receiving a commendation for a battle that came before Iwo Jima, and (right) as he is today.

First Place Winner Tuberculosis Essay Written by Martha Workman of Avoca

As part of the recent campaign fund drive of the Jones County Tuberculosis Association, a contest designed to create interest among high school students was conducted. Prizes of \$10, \$7.50 and \$5.00 for first, second and third places were presented by the association for the best essays on "Tuberculosis: Its Prevention and Cure."

Because of the factual and informative content of the essays, The Herald will print the three prize winning essays.

Martha Workman of Avoca was awarded first place in the contest. Laveta French of Hamlin placed second, and Diane Oden of Anson wrote the third place essay.

Miss Workman's essay follows:

The "white plague," more commonly known as tuberculosis, is widespread and deadly. Although it threatens many more lives than it claims, it still ranks seventh among the greatest causes of death. Because this threat must be guarded against, we are concerned with the prevention of tuberculosis; if it cannot be prevented, we must consider cure and treatment. Particularly are these things true when we understand that although tuberculosis is most prevalent among the poor, it may also attack persons in all income groups. This killer, then, is no respecter of persons, and the more we realize this, the more certain we are to respect it for what it is—a truly a "white plague" that causes about one-tenth of all human deaths.

We are making gains in the fight against this disease, but it is essential that everyone should realize that tuberculosis is still prevalent, and that the help of a well-informed public is needed if it is to be overcome. What can we do to protect our families and so help to protect our communities from tuberculosis? Annual chest X-rays and periodic examinations are important. Stamina may be built up and maintained

with well-balanced meals. Rest and a relaxed attitude in every-day living contribute a great deal to one's health in this respect. Poor housing and sanitation should be improved upon. Good health should be taught and practiced in our schools, factories, businesses, hospitals and homes. The program of our local Tuberculosis Association and Health Department should receive our cooperation in their work to prevent tuberculosis.

As a more definite safeguard against tuberculosis, there is a vaccine, BCG (the Bacillus of Calmette and Guérin). However, it does not prevent tuberculosis in all cases, nor is it yet certain how long its protection lasts. It is harmless, yet scientists are not positive of its effectiveness. Since a person may not become ill and develop definite symptoms when exposed to tuberculosis, doctors administer BCG only when there is unusual danger of contracting the disease. In this country, it is used on Indian reservations, for instance, and on doctors and nurses who work with tuberculosis patients. In some countries where tuberculosis is rampant BCG is used extensively.

As to the cure of tuberculosis, good treatment with such modern drugs as streptomycin and PAS (paraminosalic acid), is expensive. A long period of care—not weeks or months, but a year or more—is usually essential. It includes rest in bed under medical attention, properly selected and prepared food, and sometimes chest operations to remove damaged parts of the lung. However, great strides have been taken in the field of medicine to achieve a greater percentage of cure than was thought possible.

So, the "white plague" is not an unconquerable menace—but something which needs only to be understood in order that greater prevention and cure may be brought about.

Slight Drop in Price Of Farm Land Reflects Trend of Southwest

Slight drop in the price of farm land reported recently in the Hamlin area has been typical of a state-wide trend.

Prices of farm land in Texas fell two per cent in the four months ending November 1, 1954, according to a farm real estate market report issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

In general, price of farm land strengthened in the central Corn Belt and some states along the eastern seaboard, while in most other states they drifted moderately lower. Texas was among 11 states to drop two per cent or more.

New high prices were reached in six states, and in 16 others values were within five per cent of their previous highs. Largest declines were in the Mountain and Pacific Coast regions where farm real estate values in November averaged 15 per cent lower than peak levels.

Most of the moderate change in land values occurring in individual states was credit to local and regional differences in weather, crop out-turns and local supply-and-demand situations, says USDA.

Jacinto Rivera Rejoins Army for Six Years

Sergeant Jacinto S. Rivera Jr., 23-year-old son of Mrs. Margarita Nunez of Hamlin, recently re-enlisted in Pirmasens, Germany, for six years in the regular Army, according to a dispatch from the Army headquarters at that European base.

Rivera, in the Army since September, 1952, is an assistant gun section chief with the 49th Field Artillery Battalion's Battery B. He has been overseas since last April.

Truett Walton to Speak at Rotary Anniversary Event

Dr. Truett Walton of Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, former district governor of Rotary International, will be the speaker at the celebration February 25 in Hamlin of the fiftieth anniversary of Rotary, when Hamlin Rotary Club will stage a ladies' night at Hamlin Primary School cafeteria. This was announced at the Wednesday luncheon of the civic group at the oil mill guest house.

President Weldon Johnson named committees for the affair as follows: John Howard and Curtis Dodd, food; Mr. and Mrs. Louie Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lawson, registration; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Feagan, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Grice and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Murrell, reception and fellowship; Eddie Jay, Gayle Bowen and Houston Walker, entertainment.

Tate May gave a brief summary of the first 50 years of Rotary as a program feature. He declared that at the anniversary celebration February 25 the charter members of the Hamlin Rotary Club will be especially honored. Five members of the club now, as well as several others who have dropped membership in the local club, were members of the Hamlin club organized in 1907.

Guests at the Wednesday luncheon included Roy Scott, Joe Honeycutt and A. B. Youngblood of Abilene; W. M. Blackburn and Billy Bryant of Stamford; and Bobby Brown, Hamlin High School senior, junior Rotarian.

LET'S FACE IT.

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The Herald's Page of Sports



Stamford Favored to Take Cage Tourney Title at Home

Pied Pipers Play First Round Tilt Monday Evening

Five member teams of District 4-AA were readying this week-end for the annual end-of-season tournament, which will be held Monday and Tuesday at Stamford. The date was pushed up from the original schedule of February 17, 18 and 19.

Both boys' and girls' teams of the area will participate in the two-night session, which is not holding quite the interest that it should because of the lack of real competition between the teams. The strong Stamford Bulldogs, playing with most of last year's last-stepping courtsters, after an early season defeat of the Colorado City Wolves, established themselves as the easy winner of the double round robin play of the season. Anson, Hamlin and Rotan furnished the fodder for the two leaders most of the way, however, a few upsets have occurred along.

Hamlin and Rotan are scheduled to battle for the fourth place position in the regular district play this (Friday) evening on the Hamlin Junior High School court. The game will be at 8:00 o'clock.

Preceding the boys' game, the Hamlin and Rotan girls will play a first-round tilt of the week-end's tournament at 6:30.

See The Herald for paper clips.

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NAMED LINE COACH—A. M. (Mike) Michalske (above) has been named line coach at the University of Texas. A Penn State graduate and a former pro football player, he was head coach at Iowa State for five years. He has also served as line coach at Baylor and Texas A. & M.

DISTRICT 4-AA STANDINGS

With the regular District 4-AA basketball race about wound up for the season, the standings after first-of-the-week games looked like this:

Team	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
Stamford	7	7	0	1.000
Colorado City	8	6	2	.750
Anson	8	3	5	.375
Hamlin	8	2	6	.250
Rotan	7	1	6	.142

Results of Past Week.

Hamlin 39, Rotan 35.
Stamford 57, Anson 25.
Colorado City 46, Hamlin 40.
Colorado City 89, Rotan 40.
Anson 29, Hamlin 24.

THAT'S DIPLOMACY.

Traffic Officer (sternly)—"Say, where do you think you're going—to a fire?"
Woman Driver (coolly)—"Yes, you big, strong handsome officer."
Traffic Officer—"Wew-ll, since you told the truth, drive on."

Piperette Cagers Win Last Two Tilts On District Menu

Coach Dora Mitchell's Hamlin High School Piperette basketball crew won their last two home district games. They defeated Colorado City Monday night by a 29 to 27 score, and trimmed Anson Tuesday night in an overtime period to the tune of 30 to 28. The score of the Anson game was tied at 24-24 at the end of the regular playing period.

Forwards Pat Stuart and Helen Johnston were high scorers both nights. Pat made 12 points in the Colorado City game, and 16 in the Anson tilt. Helen bucketed 11 markers Monday night and 10 Tuesday night, four of her points Tuesday night being in the crucial overtime period.

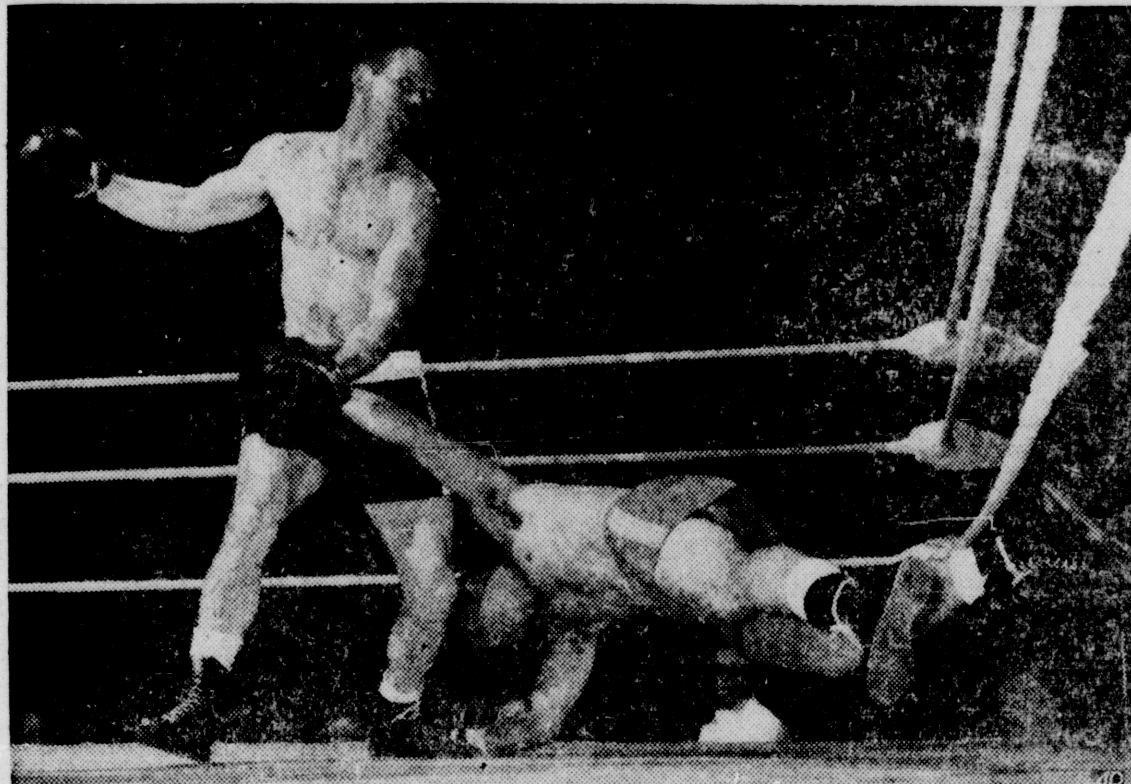
Piperette Guard Melba Ueckert was an outstanding player both games, Coach Mitchell reports. With the aid of Jean Powell, Martha Hubbard, Janis Crowley and Shasta Payne, the visiting girls' scoring was held in check.

The Piperettes are third in the district standings, and will meet first place Rotan girls tonight (Friday) at Hamlin as a first round game for the district tournament which will continue Monday and Tuesday at Stamford.

In the six district games played this season Pat Stuart made a total of 58 points, Linda Carlton scored 49, and Helen Johnston tallied 45.

PICKING SIDES.

A farmer who was a witness in a hog stealing case seemed to be stretching a point or two in favor of the accused.
"Do you know the nature of an oath?" the prosecuting attorney roared.
"Sure."
"Do you know you are not to bear false witness against your neighbor?"
"I'm not bearing false witness against him. I'm bearing false witness for him."



"HE FLOATS THROUGH THE AIR..."—Everett Burnett of Dallas, right, appears to be floating right through the air before making a landing on the canvas in the first round of his semi-final bout in the open middle-weight division of the Golden Gloves Tournament in Dallas. It was the third time Burnett went down and it won an automatic TKO victory for Airman Second Class Robert Jarmans, left of Baltimore, Maryland, who is stationed at Perrin Air Force Base.

Stamford Bulldogs Continue to Pass District 4-AA Cagers as Season Closes

The past week of play in the District 4-AA basketball race has been some more of the same, with the strong Stamford Bulldogs continuing to dominate the scenery.

Colorado City Wolves defeated the Hamlin Pied Pipers Monday night by a 46 to 40 score on the Hamlin court to further cinch a hold on second place in the district. The Hamlin girls won their tilt 29 to 27. James Boyd was high pointer for the Pipers Monday night with 14, and Don Forrester and Bill Simmons racked up the same amount for Colorado City.

It was nearly a run-away Tuesday night when the Rotan Yellowhammers fell before the Colorado City Wolves by a 89 to 40 score. The tilt was played at Colorado City. Don Flippin led the scoring for the victorious Wolves with 20 points, and Don Forrester was on his heels with 17. Porter rung 10 markers for Rotan to lead the Yellowhammers.

Tuesday night the Hamlin Pied Pipers entertained their old friends from the county seat, but permitted them to leave town on the long end of a 29 to 24 score. But the Piperettes made it a little

sweeter for the boys when they tripped the Anson girls by a 30 to 28 score. Justin Rowland was high pointer for the Pipers with nine points, while Robert Altum accounted for eight. Franklin Sims and Sanders each bucketed eight points for the Anson Tigers.

VOICE FROM GALLERY.

A certain minister, who was noted for his long sermons, reached at length a kind of resting place in his discourse. Pausing to take a breath, he asked the question:

"And what shall I say next?"
A voice from the congregation responded, "Amen."

Masser Animals Place In Abilene Dog Show

The G. L. Masser family's Chihuahua dogs fared very nicely at the West Texas Dog Show last week-end at Abilene.

In the open male class the Masser entry placed second. In the puppy class, Masser animals were rated third and fourth, according to judges' decisions.

Ted, 13-year-old son of the Massers, who live southwest of Hamlin, won an award for his handling of his entry in the child handling section of the show.

NEARLY AUTOMATIC.

Housewife—"What do you find best for mopping the kitchen floor?"
Neighbor—"I have tried lots of things, but I find my husband the best."

Booster Group Slates Last Meet February 21

Final meeting of the current season of the Hamlin Booster Club will be held Monday, February 21, it was revealed this week by officials of the backers of Hamlin High School athletics. No meeting will be held next Monday, the regular time.

Plans will be discussed at the Monday week gathering for the May session when new officers for next fall's operations will be named.

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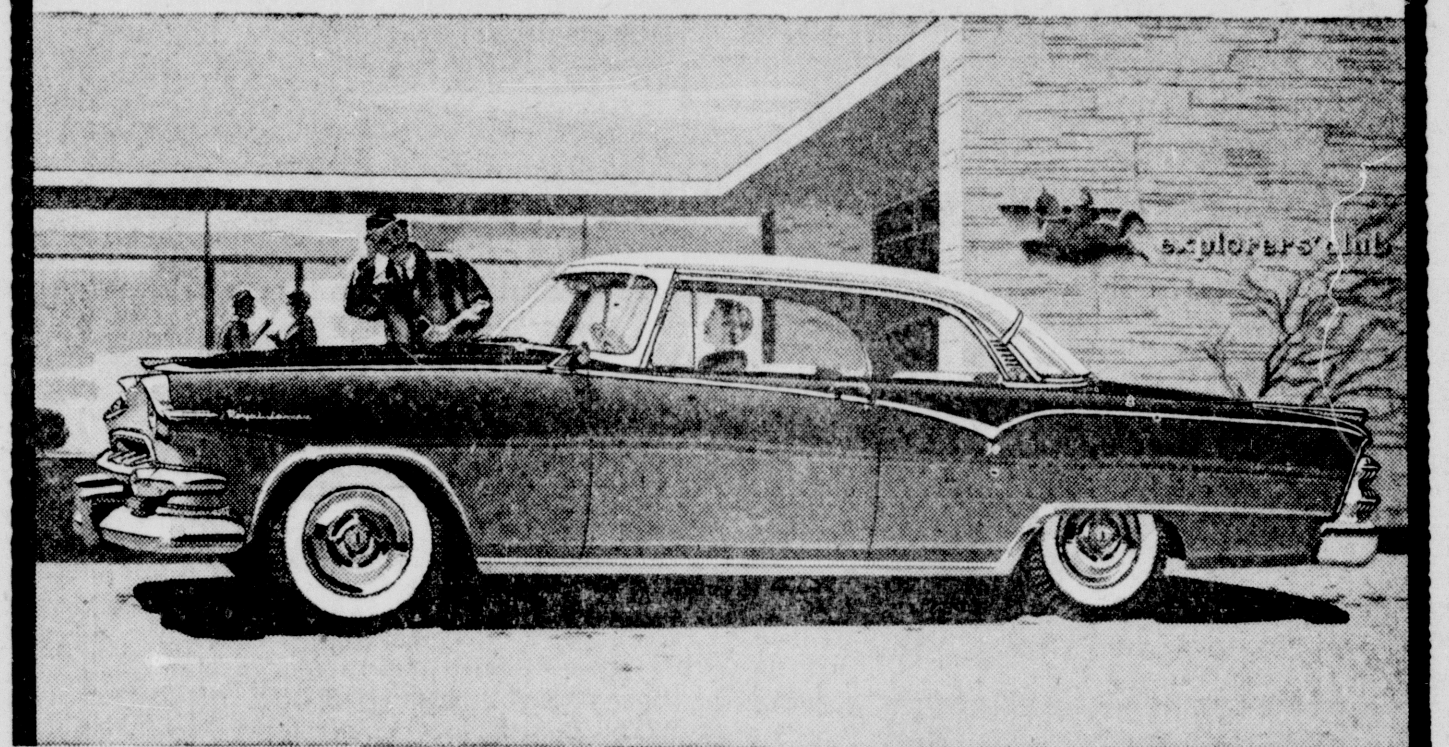


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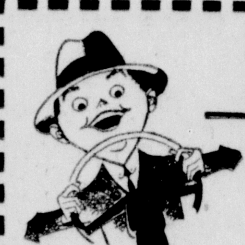
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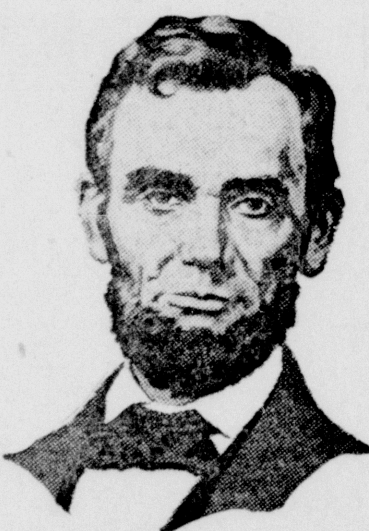
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Friday, February 11, 1955

Tom Carswell Will Speak at Lions Club Silver Anniversary

Tom Carswell of Abilene, who was district governor and presented the charter to the Hamlin Lions Club 25 years ago, will be the speaker for the twenty-fifth anniversary celebration of the local club next Friday night, February 18. This arrangement was revealed at the Tuesday noon luncheon of the club at the oil mill guest house.

The silver anniversary program, which will be a ladies' night affair, is scheduled in the Primary School cafeteria. No regular meeting of the club will be held next Tuesday at noon.

Harold Eades, vocational agriculture teacher at Hamlin High School, and one of the sponsors of the Hamlin Future Farmers of America, gave some highlights of the forthcoming Jones County Club Boys' Livestock Show for the program. The show is slated at Ansonia February 26, and \$1,200 in cash prizes has been posted for winners in the hog, dairy cow, fat steer, sheep and capon divisions.

The Lions Club voted to provide a trophy for the grand champion winner in the hog division at the show.

Besides Eades, other guests at the Tuesday luncheon were Kenneth Hill of Abilene and Zack Burkett of Graham.

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New luggage designed for modern travel is made of magnesium and covered in vinyl, available in six colors including brown and white. Inner fittings have waterproof linings, plastic hangers and packing rods. The manufacturers report the new metal lightens the luggage by 25 per cent. Magnesium obtained from sea water is available in the amount of about 4,500,000 tons to one cubic mile of sea water.

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Disabled Workers May Apply Now for Frozen Records

"We are now ready to accept applications from disabled workers to have their earnings records declared frozen under the 1954 amendments to the social security act," R. R. Tuley Jr., social security district manager of Abilene, announced this week in a release to The Herald.

Tuley pointed out that persons who have been totally disabled for six months or longer, and who worked in jobs covered by the social security law for as many as five years out of the 10 years before they were disabled should get information about this new provision in the social security act. By applying to have their social security earnings records frozen while they are disabled, they may prevent loss or reduction of future benefits.

Some people now receiving old age insurance payments were disabled for long periods before they reached age 65 and are still disabled. They, too, can benefit from the new law if they had the required amount of work under the law before they became disabled. Tuley emphasized that the law protects the social security rights of a person who is suffering from a prolonged total disability, but does not pay cash benefits to him before he is 65.

Address of the Abilene social security office is 308 Post Office Building. If a disabled person is unable to call at the office, or meet a representative at one of the regular itinerant stations in the 16-county area serviced by the Abilene office, he may telephone or have someone else call for him. Tuley concluded.

One Completion and New Site in Oil Action

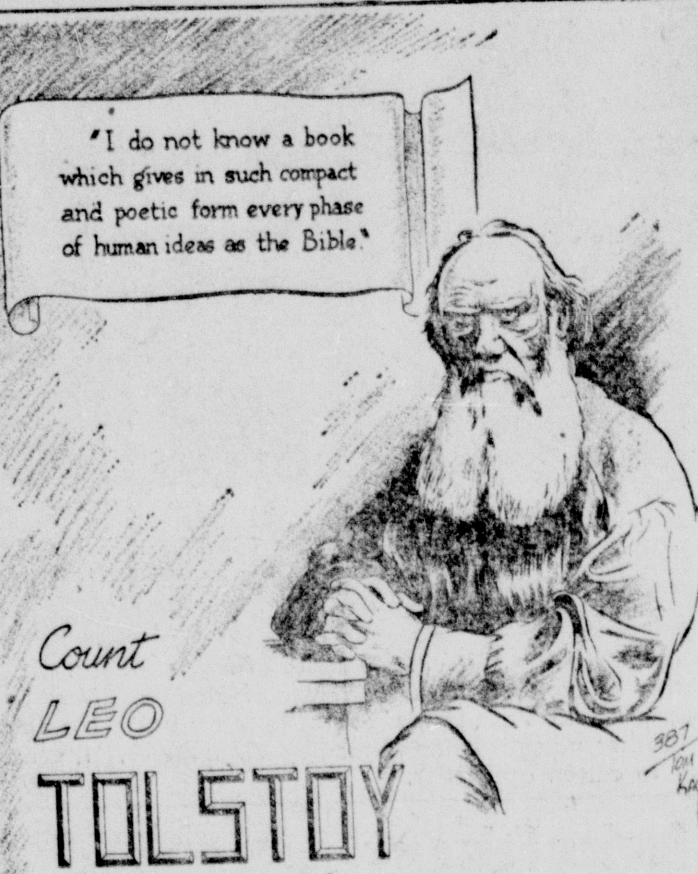
One completion and a new location constitute the oil news in the Hamlin area for the past several days.

Sid Katz Exploration Company's No. 1 R. J. Robertson, four miles northwest of Hamlin, is indicated as a discovery. It is being completed from 3,677-84 feet. Site is in Section 185, Block 1, B. B. & C. Railway Company Survey.

Katz also announced the location for its No. 2 R. J. Robertson, 273 feet southeast of the No. 1 well. Location is 660 feet from the north and west lines of Section 186, Block 1, B. B. & C. Railway Company Survey.

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Fisher County Farmers to Discuss Loans at Meeting

Farmers and ranchers of Fisher County, neighbor just to the west of Hamlin, are studying farm credit, according to a release to The Herald.

Farm credit is a topic of conversation in many places these days and as a result the Fisher County Farmers Union, under the leadership of Joe Dismore, has arranged for an informational farm credit meeting in the REA building at Roby at 7:30 p. m. Monday.

Dismore states that there will be special representatives of the FHA and Sweetwater Production Credit Association present to explain the loans which they have available for farmers. There has been some misunderstanding as to who is eligible for disaster loans, and full information will be available at this meeting.

Dismore announced that two Fisher County farmers would be selected to represent Fisher County Farmers Union in an appearance before some congressional committee in Washington, D. C., during the first week in March. Dismore emphasized the fact

that the meeting, although sponsored by the Fisher County Farmers Union, will be an open meeting and all county farmers are invited to attend.

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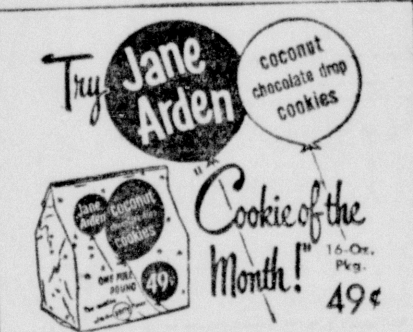
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Blaines Cakes	Assorted	18-Oz. Can	39¢
Cookies	Small family assortment, Berry	1-Lb. Pkg.	30¢
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FOR RENT—Small furnished apartment; couple only.—1053 Southeast Avenue A, phone 242. c

FOR RENT—Two furnished apartments.—320 Southwest Avenue C, phone 39-W. 15-tfc

FOR RENT—Unfurnished duplex with garage.—Reynolds Drug. 1p

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FOR SALE—House, six rooms and bath in Holman Addition; excellent location; terms.—Richard L. Branscum, Box 605, Kountze, Texas, phone CH-6-3461. 12-tfc

FARM FOR SALE—South of Tuxedo; well improved; on paved highway; 257 1/2 acres, 90 in pasture; with modern three-bedroom house; school, mail route, abundant water.—W. C. Johnson, Route 2, Stamford. 14-2p

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SALE OR TRADE

Desirable, improved, 1,297-acre farm in Lynn County; on farm road; two miles to gin, store and federal highway; on REA, telephone and school bus route; 12 miles to two good county seat towns; 1,050 acres cultivated, all terraced and contoured, 468 acres cotton allotment 1955; balance of 247 acres several native grass pastures; very deep, productive type soil; no rocks or deep sand, clay sub-soil; several houses for operators and labor, also barns, granaries, sheds, shops, corrals, wells, mills, tanks; improvements not fancy or expensive type, but very ample; ideal set-up for farmer with boys wanting large farming operations and livestock program. Rented 1955 to good tenant, one-third and one-fourth, rent goes; three-eighths of minerals intact, not leased, never drilled, but oil in area.

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Agriculture Commissioner Joins Others In Seeking Cotton Acreage Adjustment

Jones County cotton growers, as well as those of other sections of the state that have been so hard hit the past four years by severe drouth conditions, generally feel that they are entitled to greater cotton acreages than recently allotted because of the past few failures.

John C. White, state commissioner of agriculture, feels the

same way, and is endeavoring, in cooperation with Texas congressmen and others, to get the allotments increased.

White has issued the following release about the subject:

Texas cotton farmers will be allowed to plant 7,612,779 acres of cotton this season. The question now arises: Has the pendulum swung too far in favor of controlled production?

In Texas, agriculture has been hard-hit by a four-year drouth. In many areas, the few acres allowed for cotton under the allotment program failed to produce at all. This brought economic hardship where cotton is the main cash crop.

This year, the cotton farmer needs to make money on his crop. However, price alone, guaranteed by a parity program based on reduced acreage, does not insure farm prosperity. It is price times volume that will determine profits in 1955.

After all, it is what remains in the farmer's pocket after the bills are paid—his net income—that measures whether he has had a good year or a bad one.

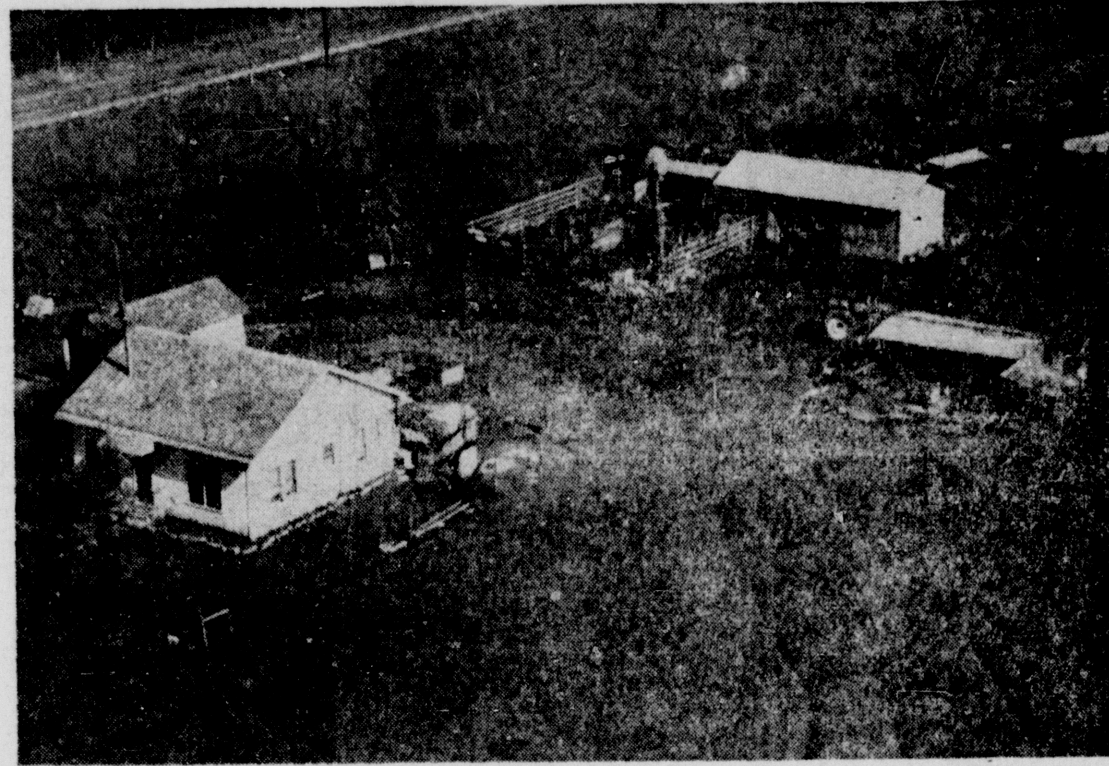
Deeper crop cut-backs are ordinarily used as a basis to support the parity program. They act as a temporary restraining force to prevent a burdensome surplus that would break the market price. This has been the practice in former years and in many cases has worked to good advantage.

But these days in Texas, due to the drouth, are not ordinary in any sense of the word.

The Texas farmer will need to plant more cotton this year and still be assured of a good price. Instead, present plans call for cutting last year's acreage back by an additional 16 per cent.

At the very minimum, Texas should have at least as much acreage as it had last year, if not more. Now that our farmers are under economic stress, it is no time to bolster the price of cotton by further reducing the acreage.

This year, the farmer needs price plus volume.



ELEVEN PERSONS correctly identified the third in the series of Mystery Farm pictures shown above as the Hiram Prather place, five miles southwest of Hamlin. Mrs. Grady Smith received a one-year subscription to Your Home Town Paper for being the first to identify the aerial view. The Prather place is being farmed by Virgil Steele. It contains 100 acres, and is being planted to cotton and feeds.

Traffic Safety Drive During February To Feature Pledge Mute to Code of Road

Now's the time to stand up and be counted!

During the month of February, the Texas Safety Association and the Texas Department of Public Safety are urging adherence to a courteous driving pledge, "The Code of the Road," and by the end of the month they hope to have the cooperation of every registered driver in Texas.

In agreeing to the pledge, a driver promises to live up to seven basic rules of driving courtesy.

Courteous driving programs are not new, but the idea of measuring the success of such programs is.

It was started in Midland, Michigan, last October when the National Safety Council and the Inter-Industry Highway Safety Committee cooperated with the Midland Traffic Safety Commission and the American Association of University Women in conducting a pilot operation safety program along these lines. In the month-long effort 10,000 drivers—virtually 100 per cent of the Midland area's registered drivers—cooperated by signing "Code of the Road" pledges. During February numerous communities throughout the nation are conducting similar operation safety programs using Midland's record as their goal.

In Texas, the Texas Safety Association and Department of Public Safety are not asking motorists to sign written pledges, but R. B. Rooper of Houston, president of the Texas Safety Association, and Colonel Homer Garrison Jr., director of the Department of Public Safety have issued a joint appeal for each driver in the state to make a "pact" with himself agreeing to adhere to the basic rules of driving courtesy.

But let us not forget that it's not the pacts themselves that are important. It's the thinking behind the agreements that counts. Each agreement represents a driver who is convinced that courtesy on the road is a must and who believes it so strongly that he pledges himself to live up to the rules of courtesy at all times.

The objective of the program is to get 100 per cent of our drivers

thinking this way. That would follow if every driver realized two important facts. The first is that the line between discourtesy and traffic law violation is a thin one, and it is often difficult to tell when it is crossed. The second is that there is a very definite relationship between traffic law violations and traffic accidents. Just how definite this is can be shown statistically. In 1953 62 per cent of drivers in fatal accidents were violating a traffic law at the time of the accident.

Realizing that his own safety and the safety of all he meets in traffic depends to a great extent on his courteous conduct, no driver should have any difficulty in living up to his pledge of courteous driving.

Review of Soil Conservation Work in California Creek District Looks Good

Soil conservation work in the territory of the California Creek Soil Conservation District during 1954 experienced pleasing results. It is reported this week in the annual review submitted by the district officials. The report was released by Hiram Olson, chairman; Bruno Kupatt, vice chairman; Revis Robertson, secretary; C. E. Lantrip and Brooke Early, members of the board of supervisors.

Not only was much constructive work done toward saving the soil and moisture in the area, but an improved feeling and understanding of the conservation practices is being felt, the officials said.

During the year 1954 the board approved 154 plans that covered 36,840 acres. These additional 154 plans bring the total number of cooperators to 2,321 covering 807,053 acres. Four hundred forty-two acres in the district was planted to blue panic grass. Another 500 acres or more was planted but did not come up due to the drouth.

The district now has the following equipment which is rented



HOUSE SPEAKER—Representative Jim Lindsey of Arkansas (above) recently was elected speaker of the new Texas House of Representatives. He will be 29 years of age on February 1. He is less than five years out of the law school of Baylor University, where he graduated with honors.

to the cooperators through the vocational agriculture teachers in the district: Seven two-row legume and grass seeders; two grass drills; two land levelers or land planes; five combination legume-fertilizer drills; and three sets of border ridgers. The equipment has a value of approximately \$6,700.

The board believes the most important conservation measures for this district for the board and assisting agencies to work upon are proper range use, cover crops and stubble mulching. The drouth of the past four years has made this very evident.

Accomplishments of the district for 1954 are listed as follows: 30,113 acres of contour farming applied; 7,646 acres of cover crops planted; 241 acres of rotation hay had pasture; 26,440 acres of stubble mulching applied; 140 acres of strip cropping; 14,190 acres of deferred grazing; 24,161 acres of proper use; 45 acres of range seeding; 201 acres of pasture seeding; 10,195 acres of brush control; 24 fish pond improvements; 415 miles of terraces;

VETERAN QUESTIONS

The questions and answers below about veteran problems are carried as a service to present and former service personnel by The Herald. Material for this column is supplied by the area office of the Veterans Administration at Lubbock.

Question—I am taking on-the-job training under the Korean GI bill. I also would like to enroll in a correspondence course on the side, to study a subject related to my job training. Will VA pay for the course?

Answer—The law prohibits VA from paying you an additional amount of money to cover the cost of your correspondence course. It can only pay the required allowance for your on-the-job training.

Q—My national service life insurance term policy has lapsed. I want to reinstate it and, at the same time, convert to a permanent plan. What payments will have to make to the VA?

A—You will be required to pay one monthly premium at the term rate, and your first regular premium at the permanent plan rate. The latter may be either a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual payment.

Q—I am a World War II veteran receiving monthly pension payments from VA. My uncle recently died, leaving me an inheritance of some shares of stock. Are the stock proceeds considered as income, in figuring my annual income ceiling?

A—Proceeds of the stock will not be considered as income until they are converted into cash.

Q—As a result of my service in World War II, I am receiving monthly disability compensation payments. Would it be possible for VA to deduct the amount of my GI insurance premiums from my compensation, so I won't have to bother about making out a check every month?

A—Yes. Your compensation payments, however, must be large enough to take care of your premium payments each month.

Q—I am taking Korean GI farm training. My school has just informed me that it has extended the length of the course beyond that which has been approved by VA. Will I get GI allowance payments for the extension?

A—No. GI allowances, under the law, may not be authorized for extensions beyond the period required to complete your approved training program.

four miles of diversion construction; 25 farm ponds; 40 acres of sprinkler irrigation system (two systems); 114 acres of border irrigation systems; 1,208 acres of furrow irrigation systems; 741 acres of improved water application; 716 acres of irrigation water management.

Building and Repairing in Hamlin Area More Favorable Now, Says Lumberman

Families in the Hamlin area desiring to build a new home or modernize an older one this year will find conditions more favorable than at any time in many months, according to Paul Bryan, local retail lumber dealer and member of the public affairs committee of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association.

"Building costs have become stabilized, time payment loans can be obtained on the most attractive terms ever offered, and the market offers a greater variety of good materials than ever before," Bryan said.

"In addition, the number of skilled workmen is at an all-time peak, which means that building work can be started and completed sooner and better quality of work is assured. Materials of all kinds are available on short notice."

"Buyers who take advantage of government insured or guaranteed mortgage loans to purchase new homes will find monthly payments at an all-time low because more time is allowed for repayment of the principal, and down payments are the lowest ever offered."

"Home repairs and improvements can be paid for over a period as long as 36 months, and no down payment is required in many cases."

"Mortgage funds currently are plentiful, although further expan-

sion in the high building rate experienced during the past year might bring back the shortages experienced some months ago. However, lumber dealers and other building industry organizations are cooperating to keep funds flowing steadily, even in smaller communities where shortages always appear first."

GINNING IMPROVES.

Last year 1,740 cotton gins were active in Texas. Recent estimates place a value of \$147,445,000 on these gins. Less than half of one per cent of all the cotton ginned annually in the state is docked by buyers because of rough preparation. Quality processing is the result of good equipment and plant operation and maintenance.

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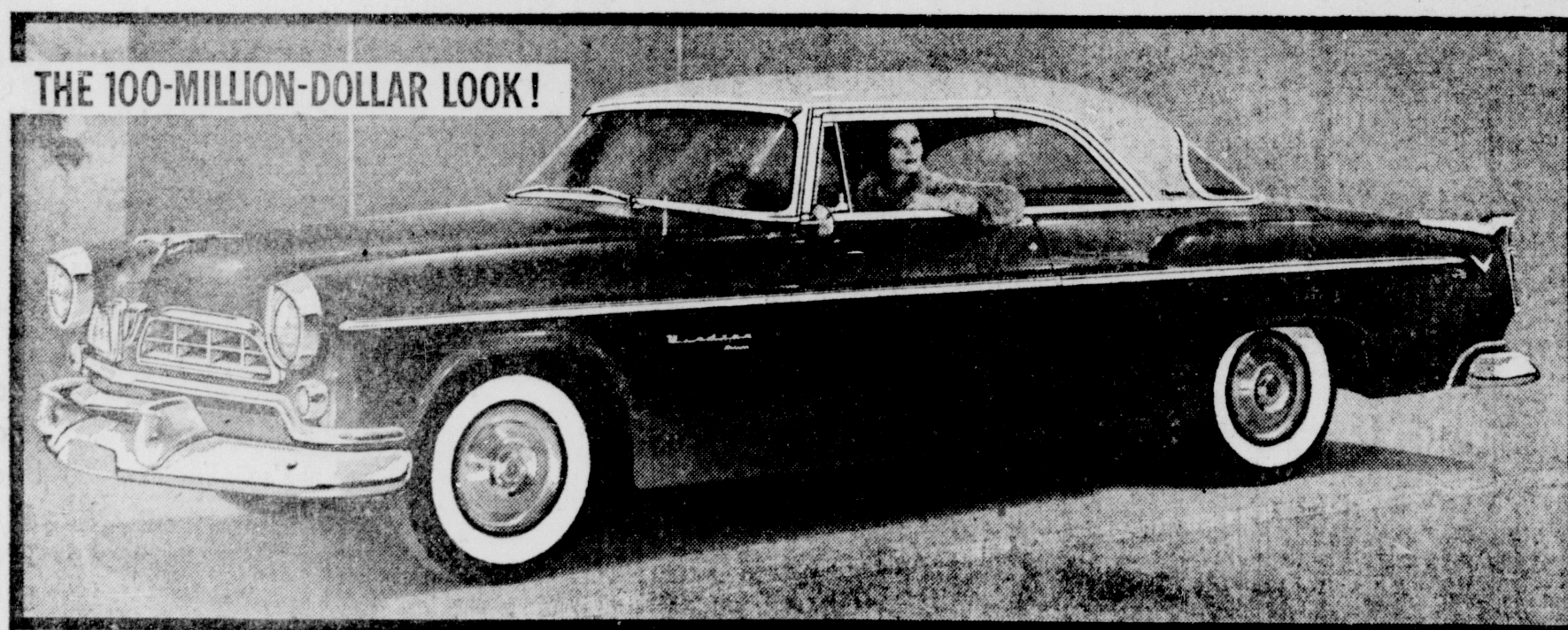
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